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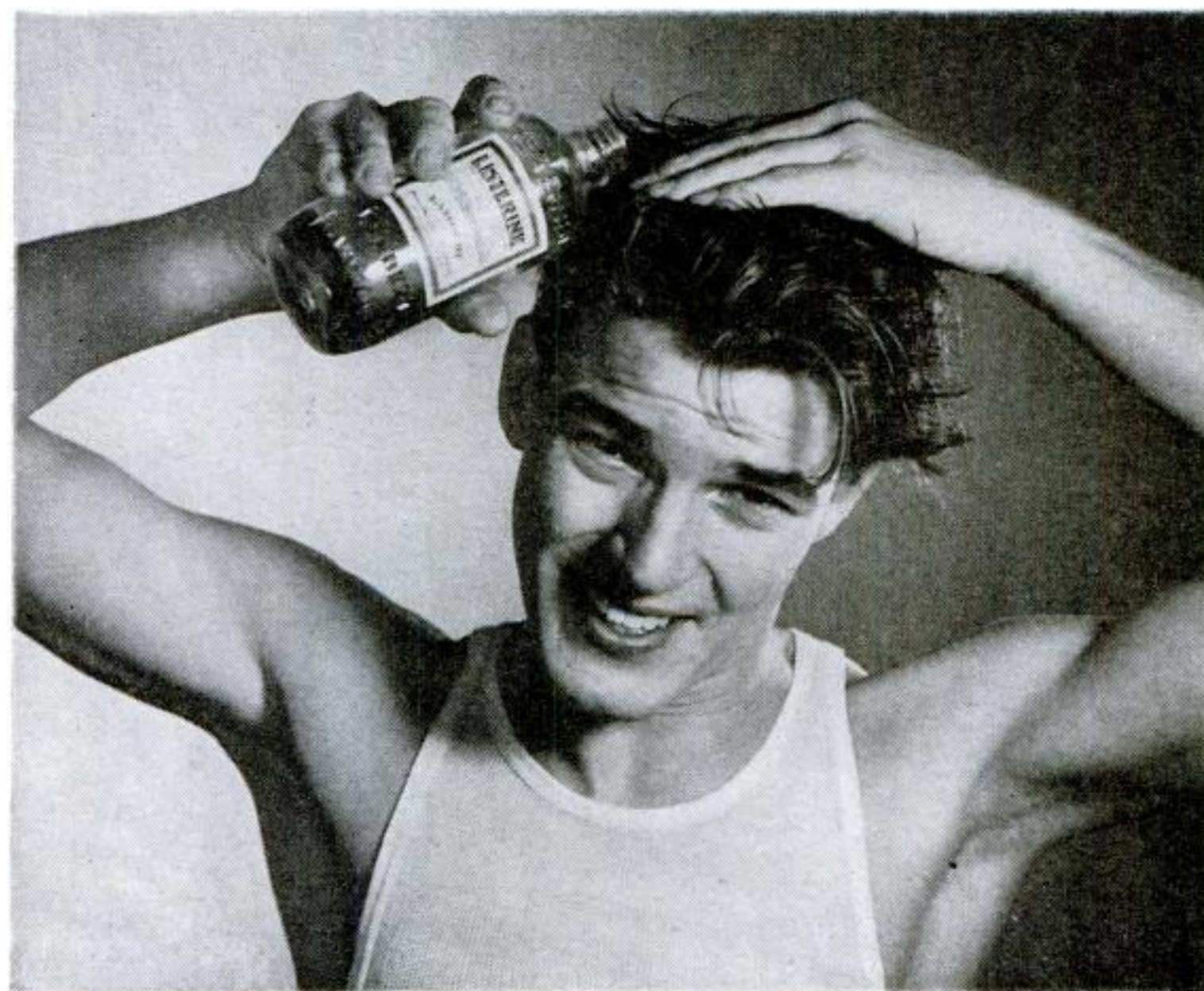
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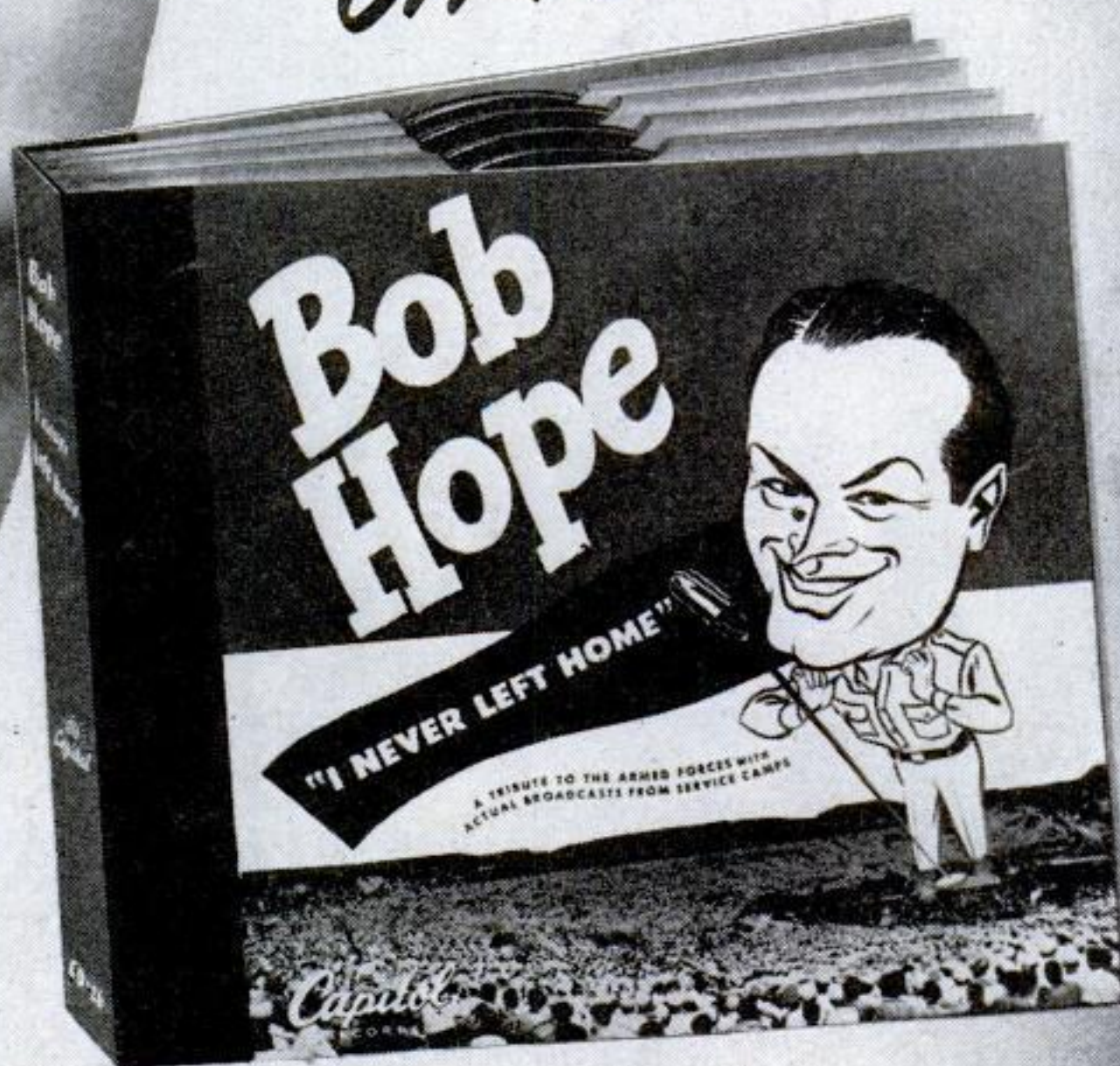


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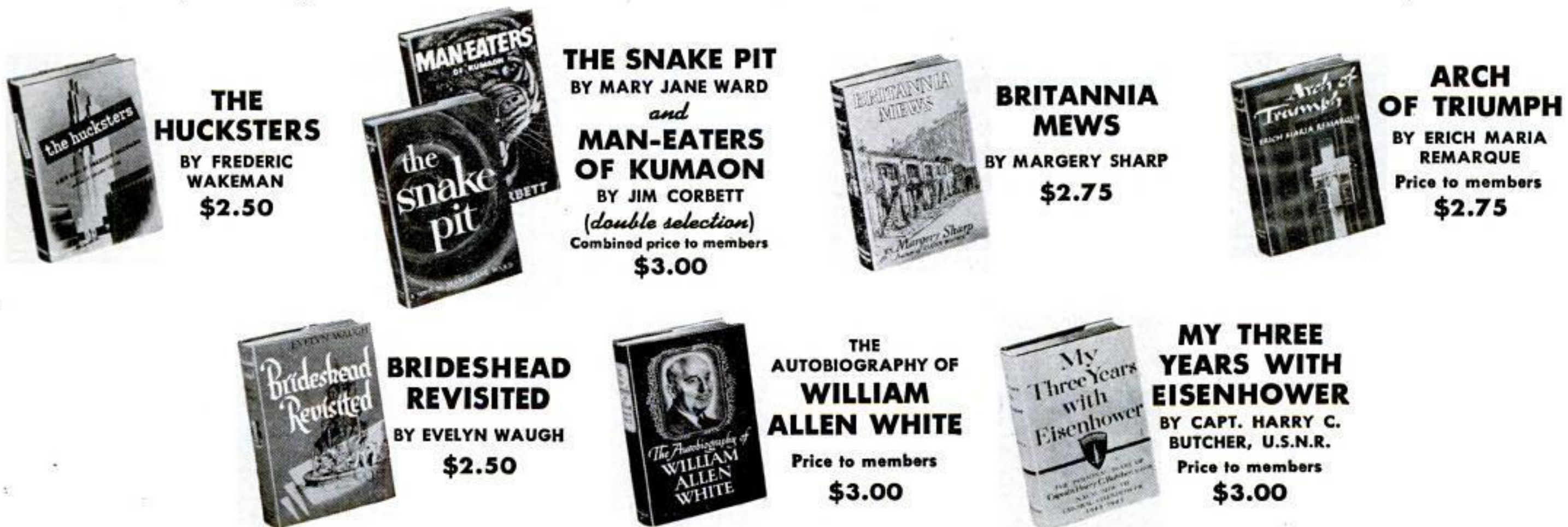
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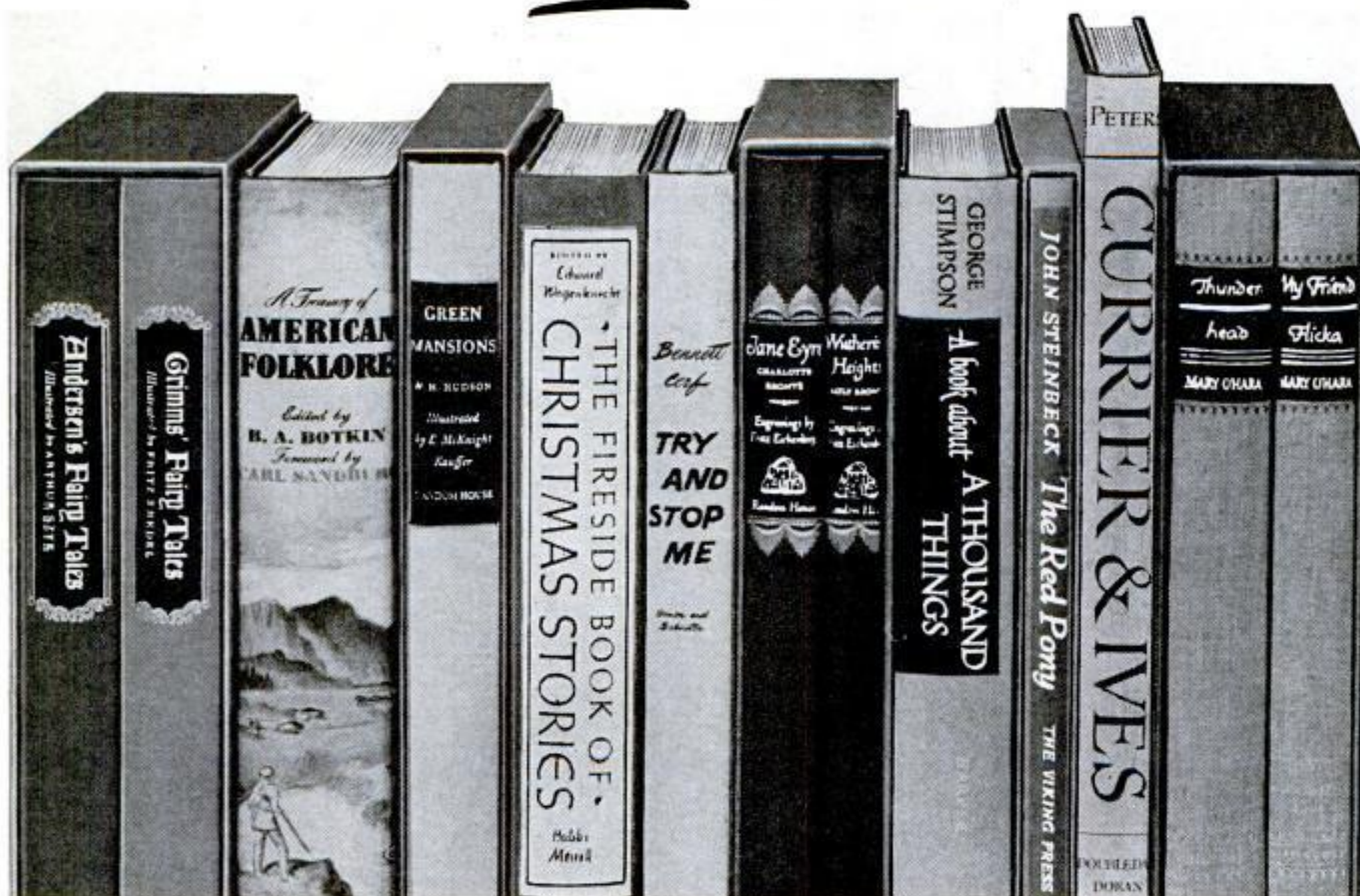
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IN TUBES OR JARS

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

RUSSIA, 1946

Sirs:

Congratulations on Mr. Brooks Atkinson's excellent article on Russia (LIFE, July 22). This unbiased and objective account should be read by as many people as possible who will be able to have and develop an increased understanding of the present Soviet way of life. Here's to LIFE International in furthering world amity.

NICHOLAS MOCHARNIUK

Woodstock, N.Y.

Sirs:

It is most amusing to see newsmen like Brooks Atkinson weep (in print) over the impossibility of learning anything about Russia and communism, and at the same time pound out without losing a stroke what is supposed to pass as a comprehensive and authoritative analysis of what is wrong with Russia and communism. . . . Mr. Atkinson deplores the fact that Soviet state affairs are conducted in secret. Assuming that we know everything that takes place in our own government, what does it avail us? We continue to re-elect such men as Bilbo, Talmadge and W. Lee O'Daniel.

SELWIN JONES

Henderson, Texas

Sirs:

Brooks Atkinson's article is a very satisfactory portrayal of Russia for the average American. You have given us a straightforward account of conditions as seen by intelligent American interpretation. . . .

J. K. FARLEY

Ephraim, Wis.

MAN HATCHES EGG

Sirs:

Concerning the article, "Man Hatches Egg" (LIFE, July 22), I was wondering if the man's name was Moran or Moron, the latter suiting more perfectly, I believe.

ALICE CARROLL

Lexington, Va.

Sirs:

... Would the baby ostrich look upon Mr. Moran as a father or a mother?

KENT LUNDERGAN

Newton Center, Mass.

Sirs:

My grandmother told of a woman in her township who set her hen with the usual number of eggs, then placed two dozen around her ill husband to enlarge the flock for the hen. He never broke a one, because he was paralyzed.

FLORA ROMINGER

Omaha, Neb.

WOMAN'S CLUB CONTINUED

Sirs:

In your article about the Chevy Chase Woman's Club (LIFE, June 3), the caption and wording under my picture on page 139 was most inappropriate and has caused me much embarrassment.

The president gave me the floor to state my views on a resolution under discussion for action before the club. I did not fly up or heckle or cause any disturbance. I was proceeding according to the parliamentary rules of the club. I resent being called a heckler or held up to ridicule in your magazine.



The reference that calm was restored was entirely erroneous. It seems to me that there should be a retraction of such improper and erroneous words as used by your magazine.

MRS. HEWITT GRIGGS ROBERTSON
Chevy Chase, Md.

● LIFE's apologies to Mrs. Robertson.—ED.

PARIS STUDENTS' BALL

Sirs:

I was thoroughly disgusted at LIFE, not at the Frenchmen, in regards to your article on the Bal des Quatz' Arts (LIFE, July 19). . . .

During the war I was stationed in Paris and I got to know some of the *étudiants* at the Beaux Arts. They are fun-loving fellows always looking for a laugh. But private affairs such as what exactly went on at the Bal des Quatz' Arts is not any business of the public. . . .

BERT KIENER

Rochester, N.Y.

Sirs:

The juxtaposition of the pictures of the elevation to sainthood of Motier Cabrini and the Bal des Quatz' Arts in Paris is significant and does you great credit. In the one life is shown in its highest form and in the other, its lowest.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

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In the Bal des Quatz' Arts we find an attempt to discard all the civilizing influences and to reduce life to the level of the cave man. These are the men and women, you say, who will produce the greatest in future art. I should like to get my art from cleaner sources, and I submit that none of the future great was present at this ball or, if they were, they could not look on this lewd, bacchanalian scene other than with disgust.

EDWARD A. COUGHLAN
Philadelphia, Pa.

MARGARET TRUMAN

Sirs:
In your close-up on Margaret Truman (LIFE, July 22) you say that Margaret, at a sorority house party, "merrily short-sheeted the beds of her friends."

Please explain the meaning of this obscure sentence in an otherwise clear



narrative of the President's daughter. Did she steal a sheet, or mess up a bed or what did she do, merrily, that a reader of average intelligence cannot grasp from the printed page?

PEARL CHENOWETH
Jennings, Kan.

● The single-sheeted, pie or apple-pie bed is an ancient form of practical joke in which the bottom half of the lower sheet on the bed is pulled out and folded back over the top of the blanket. Thus the bed appears to be properly made, but the victim cannot get between the sheets.—ED.

THE NORTH SHORE

Sirs:

As an amateur sociologist I read your report on the North Shore community (LIFE, July 22) with great interest. LIFE stresses the community's devotion to sport and says that the Piping Rock and Meadow Brook Clubs exist for "specific athletic purposes." But the accompanying pictures utterly fail to support this statement. They show a community devoted to sitting. At the Piping Rock Club, for instance, they have even run out of chairs and have dragged furniture onto the lawn to accommodate the overflow. At the Meadow Brook Club, "Laddie" Sanford is taking no chances and appears to have brought his own chair with him. The groups lolling about on the lawns of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club and the Aviation Country Club clearly have no intention of taking either to the water or the air.

It is possible that all this evidence of lassitude would not have struck me so forcibly if I were not a student of the Tatler, an English weekly that publishes photographs of society in action. Some issues have been known to contain no seated figures at all, indoors or out. At Ascot, Royal Garden parties, even in her own garden, the typical, chic Englishwoman is invariably to be

seen standing or striding briskly into the camera.

I don't know what conclusions to draw from this, except to wonder whether the term "languid" is not a better description of the North Shore set. For it emerges from your report as conspicuously unathletic, incapable of taking a trip around the garden except in a horse-drawn vehicle and accompanied by a coachman ready to take over the reins if the expedition should prove too exhausting.

ROSALIND CONSTABLE
New York, N.Y.

● Nevertheless the languid North Shore set can outride and outplay the athletic British at polo. Playing against U.S. teams composed largely of Long Islanders, the British have failed to win a single game since 1914.—ED.

Sirs:

I have a job that pays me \$35 per week. I have no trouble paying rent, buying food or clothing myself. When I feel like going fishing I go fishing; when I feel like hunting I go hunting; when I want to go to a movie I go, and I can usually afford to spend 15¢ for a copy of LIFE each week. After comparing myself with the inhabitants of the North Shore estates I realize that I don't have the pleasure of concerning myself with the upkeep of a mansion or its gracious grounds, nor do I enjoy the pleasure of worrying about some one stealing my Goya or my Rubens or my jewels or my money. I don't even have a swimming pool and am forced to do my swimming in the Gulf. I haven't even broken any bones in polo games as F. Ambrose Clark has. He was fortunate and successful enough to break nearly all of his. I don't even own the B. & O. Railroad, nor does my father, but I wonder just how much happier the North Shore clan is than I am.

GAYLORD CARMICHAEL
Biloxi, Miss.

Sirs:

According to you, sir, and it must be true, sir,
The North Shore's the land of estates,
And society's wife has a pattern of life as
Elaborate as hand-wrought iron gates.



She has her own horse and a private golf course and
Her alfresco luncheons are gay;
But these Webbs and these Bradys and Vanderbilt ladies
Need hobbies to fill up their day.
Alas and alack, sir (this isn't a crack, sir),
They seek recreation in vain;
For they can't gossip over vast acres of clover
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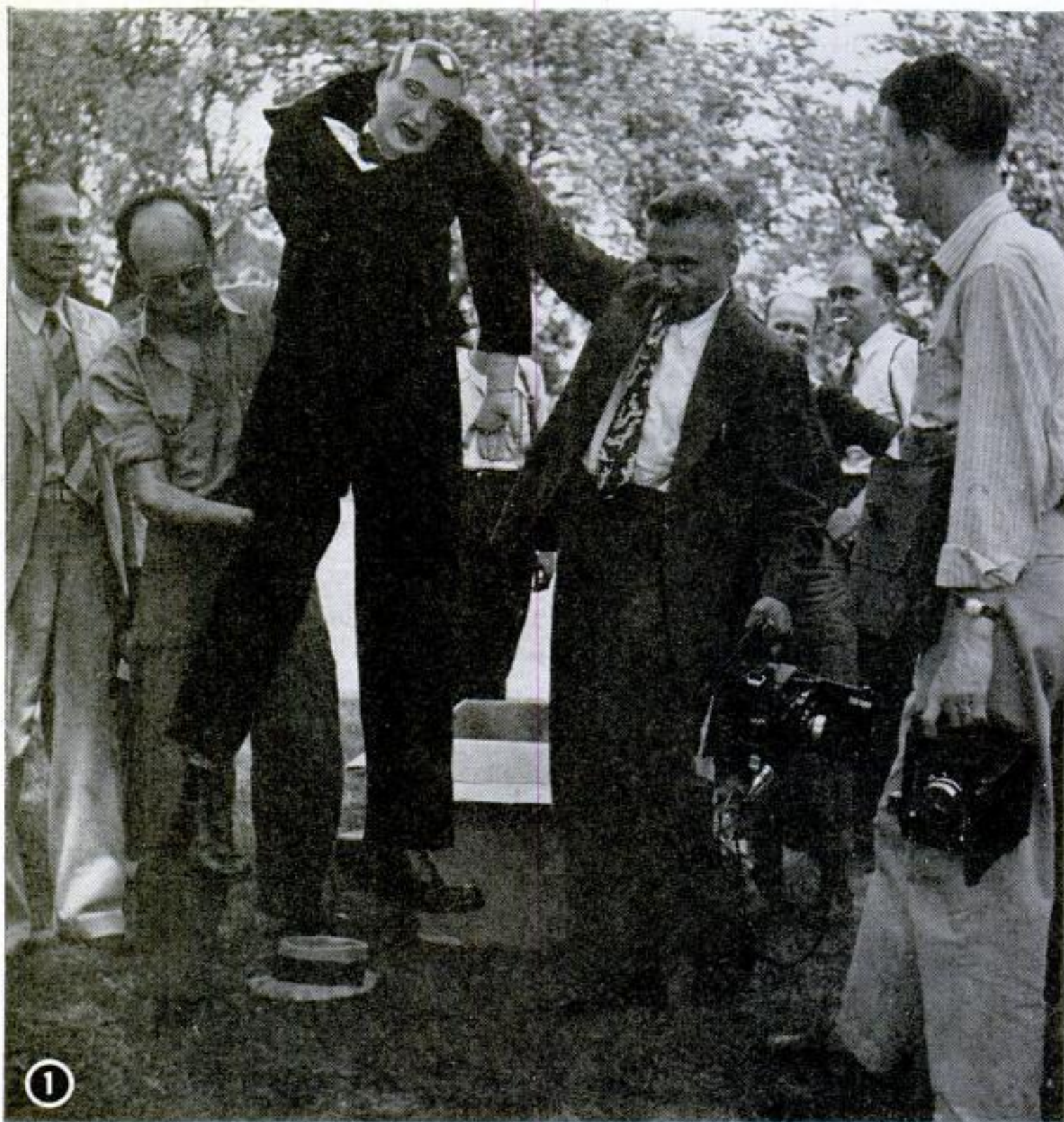
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⑥ STUDENT MAKES THIS CLOSE-UP OF WEEGEE FIXING DUMMY'S TIE

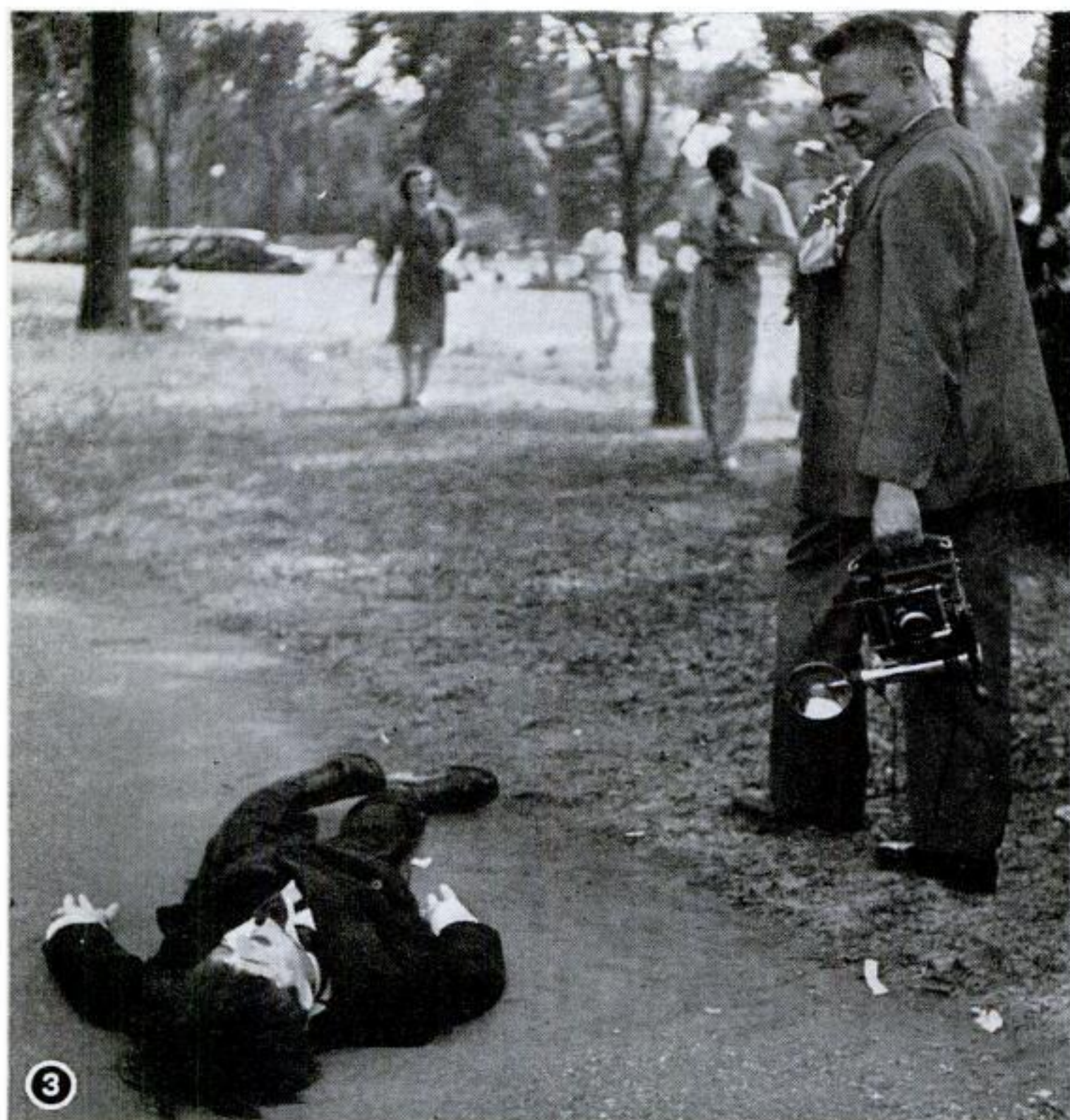
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...WEEGEE SHOWS HOW TO PHOTOGRAPH A CORPSE

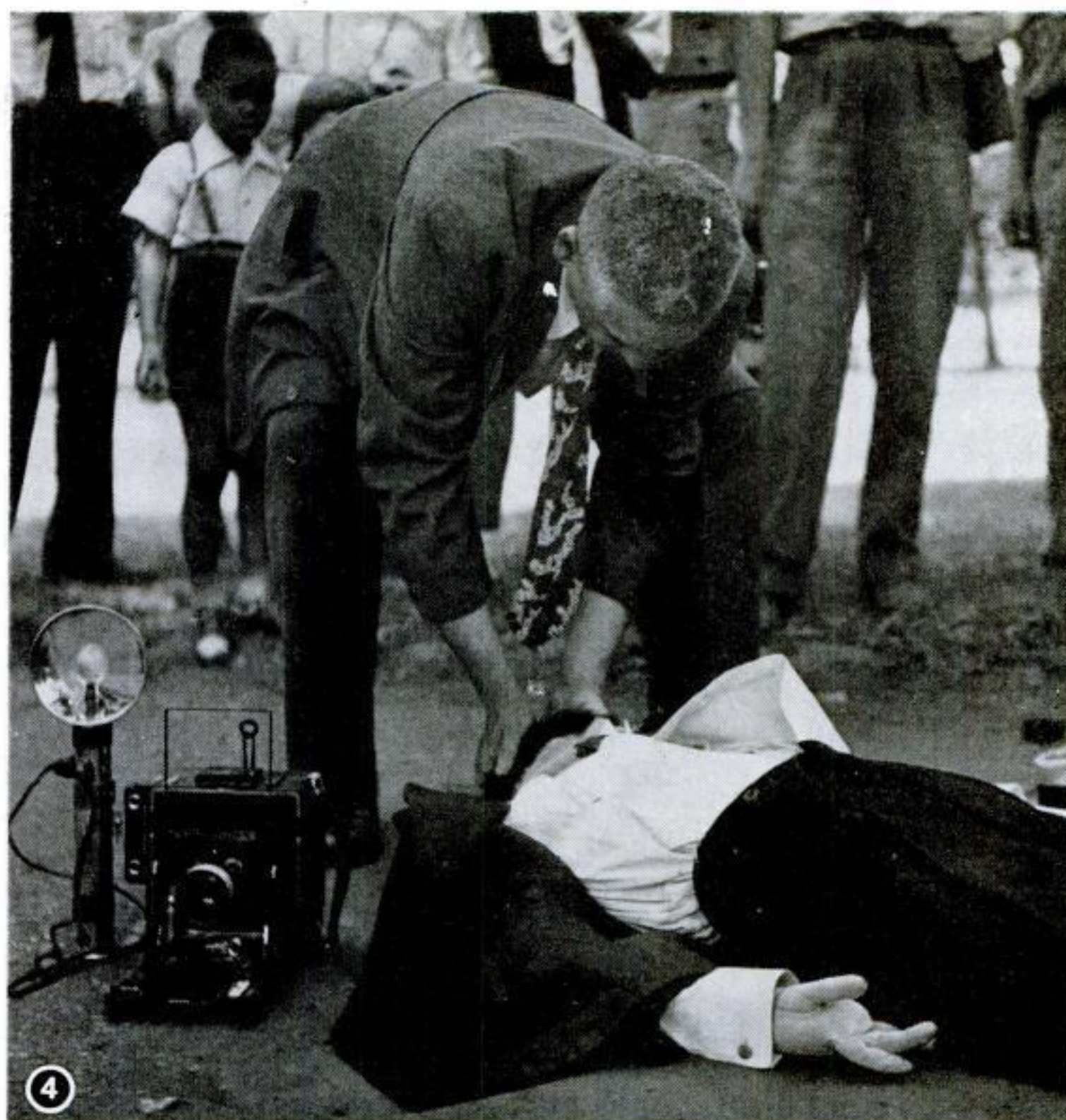
As part of a six-week photographic seminar at Chicago's Institute of Design, the stubby, untidy, cigar-chewing Manhattan photographer who calls himself Weegee and who is famous for his pictures of mayhem and murder recently enlivened his course in spot-news photography by showing students how to photograph a corpse. After one of his lectures ("Now, a stiff... they're the nicest kind of subject. They don't try to cover up.... I always try to make 'em look nice and comfortable"), Weegee procured a dummy and a plastic \$1 revolver, cheerfully set out on a field trip to demonstrate his technique (above).

In Lincoln Park, Weegee sprawled the pasty-faced, tuxedoed dummy on a sidewalk (1, 2), advised, "That's the way they are, unless it's a dumbed-up job." Then he circled the body (3), disarranged its clothes (4, 5, 6, 7), hoisted his battered, 8-year-old Speed Graphic (8) and squeezed off a picture (9).

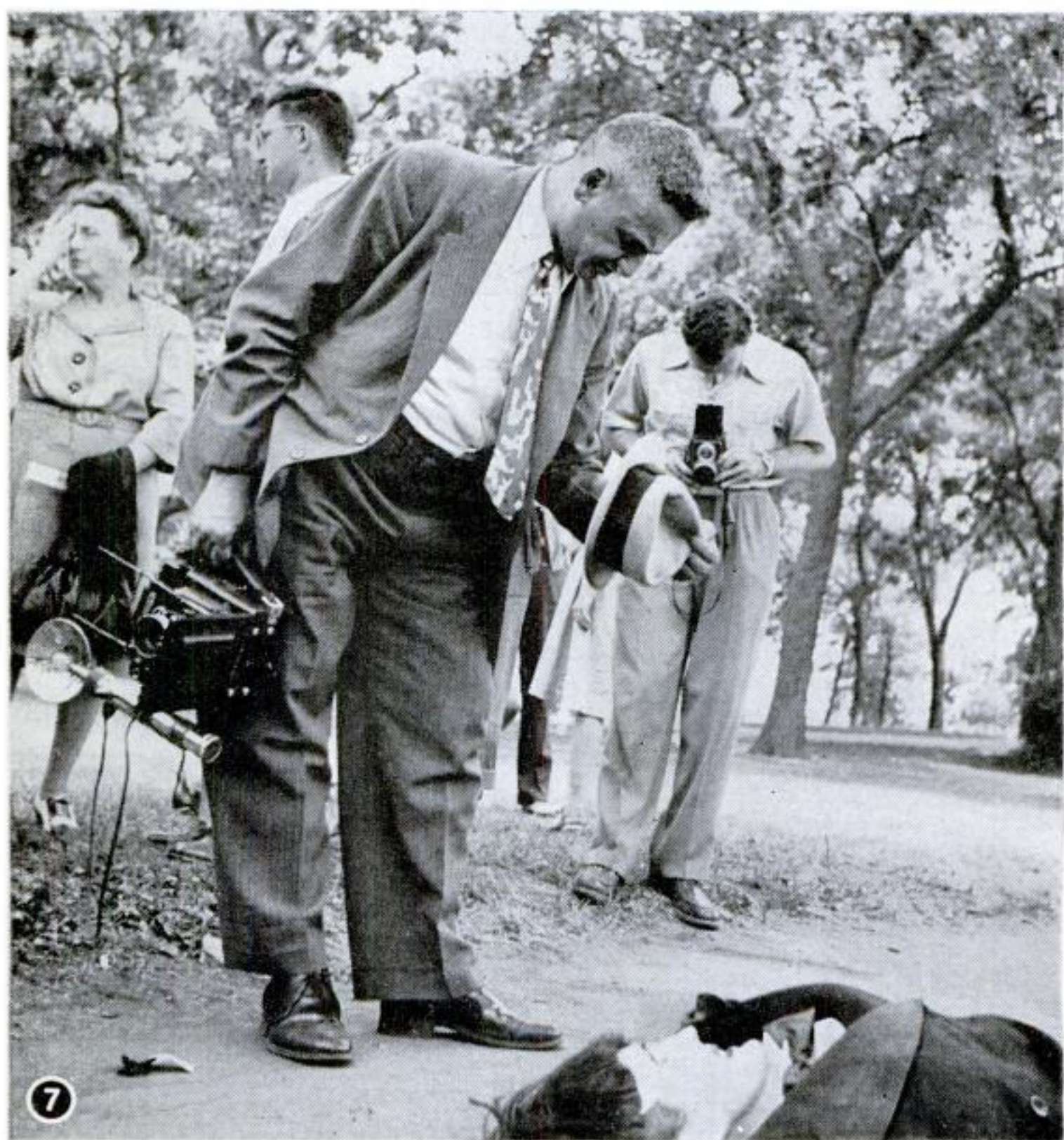
Up to a year ago Weegee (real name: Arthur Fellig) was New York City's



3 **WEEGEE CIRCLES CORPSE AND CONSIDERS PROPER CAMERA ANGLE**



4 **DUMMY'S TOUPEE AND SHIRT ARE MUSSUED UP FOR AUTHENTICITY**



7 **THE CRUMPLED FEDORA IS PUT WHERE IT MIGHT ACTUALLY FALL**

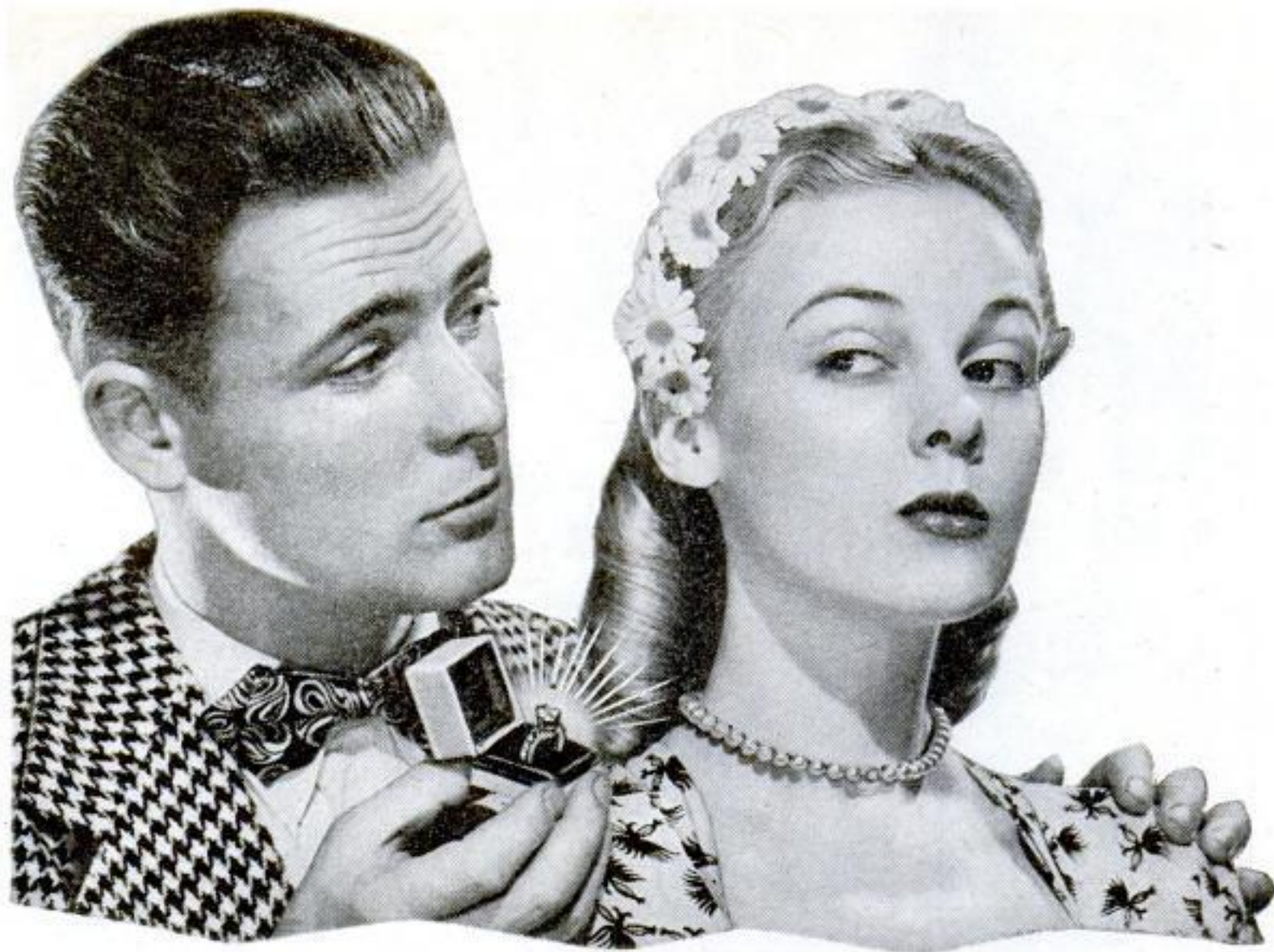


8 **WEEGEE SLIDES INTO SHOOTING POSITION AND RELEASES SHUTTER**



9 **WEEGEE GOT THE GUN, THE HAT AND THE CORPSE IN HIS PICTURE**

most remarkable police-beat photographer. From a \$17-a-month room littered with a police radio, cigar boxes full of negatives, cardboard cartons containing flash bulbs and shoes, and a dingy double bed in which he usually slept with his clothes on, Weegee roared off nightly in a rickety 1938 Chevrolet to cover fires, accidents and violent deaths. A bachelor, he worked from midnight to 7 a. m., detested telephones, kept his savings in the back of his car and managed to get his laundry done once a month. Now all that is changed. His increasing fame has led him to buy a tuxedo, to publish a book (*The Naked City*, Essential Books, \$4), to take up free-lancing for publications like *Vogue* and to announce that he would never again "photograph anybody laying on the ground, waiting for a hearse, with blood all around them." Today Weegee photographs society and cover girls ("The body beautiful... alive, I mean"), claims he meets a better class of people and even sleeps in pajamas "except when I'm very tired."



If At First You Don't Succeed...

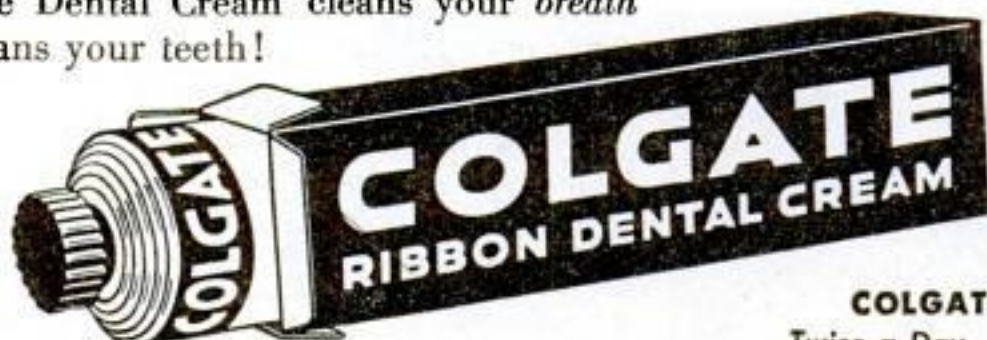
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SPEAKING OF PICTURES

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WEEGEE GETS DOWN beside the dummy to pose for gag shots by the students. Dead cigar, which cost a nickel, is still clamped tightly between his teeth.



CLASPING HAND OF CORPSE, Weegee stretches out. He wanted to hold class on North Clark Street, scene of gang killings, but cops chased him off.



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This new gadget answers telephone for you

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Do you have that nervous, haltered, tied-to-the-telephone feeling? Are you afraid to step down the hall for a drink with the boys because the little black tyrant might ring in your absence? Would you like to sneak out to the ball game and let the damn thing ring itself to death—but do not quite dare to? Then listen to the answer to your prayer: a little voice that says to anyone who may call while you are away, "This is the Ipsophone, Blank Company, Mr. Dunham's office. Attention. Please speak—now."

That is the Ipsophone, the Little Wonder of the Telephone World. As the advertisements say, "It listens and speaks for you." It is, in fact, the first fully automatic telephonograph, the realization of an elusive dream which communications experts have been trying to achieve for nearly 50 years. Just hook it up to the telephone line and let it ring—at the end of the day, or whenever you feel like it, you can lift up the receiver, push a button, and you'll hear everything that everyone who called had to say to you.

The basic principle of the Ipsophone is simple: it combines an ordinary telephone with a steel wire recorder that takes down all conversations. If you go out and the phone rings, the Ipsophone will automatically take over after the fourth ring. It cuts in the voice that speaks the above-mentioned text (or any other you care to choose, for instance, "Talk fast, it's your nickel") and then waits for the caller to speak his piece. If he isn't too flabbergasted

to say a word, the Ipsophone will listen to him for a full half hour without interruption, or for as long a time—up to that limit—as he cares to talk. At the end of the conversation, the caller signs off with his name and hangs up; the Ipsophone then waits for the next call.

This miraculous gadget was developed during the war by the Werkzeugmaschinenfabrik Oerlikon Bührle & Co., of Zürich, Switzerland, the same organization which manufactured the famous Oerlikon wing aircraft cannon. The Swiss company acquired the patents, during the war, from a German named

Müller, and the job of improving it to the point of marketable efficiency was entrusted to a studious young physicist named Ernst Keller, a ballistics expert who is currently head of the Oerlikon factory's experimental and development division. At the moment, there are some 80 Ipsophones in operation throughout Switzerland, and the instrument will soon be on sale in other countries.

This ingenious mechanism, which has enough movements to startle a Swiss watchmaker, has many functions in addition to its basic use. Suppose you go out to the ball game and become nervous about who might have called while you were away from your desk. Just drop down to the nearest phone booth during the seventh-inning stretch, put a nickel in and dial your office. You can then listen to everything the Ipsophone took down and be back in your seat before the home team's first hitter comes up to bat.

But that still isn't all. Obviously, you don't want anybody who calls your number to be able to listen to all the messages on it. Secrecy must be provided for—and it has been. On your Ipsophone at home, which looks just like an ordinary dial telephone on a bigger box with four rows of push buttons and ten little signs, there are two rows of buttons with the numbers from 1 to 0. Before you leave, you insert a key in a lock on the bottom of the box, turn it one-quarter turn to the right, and then select a combination of



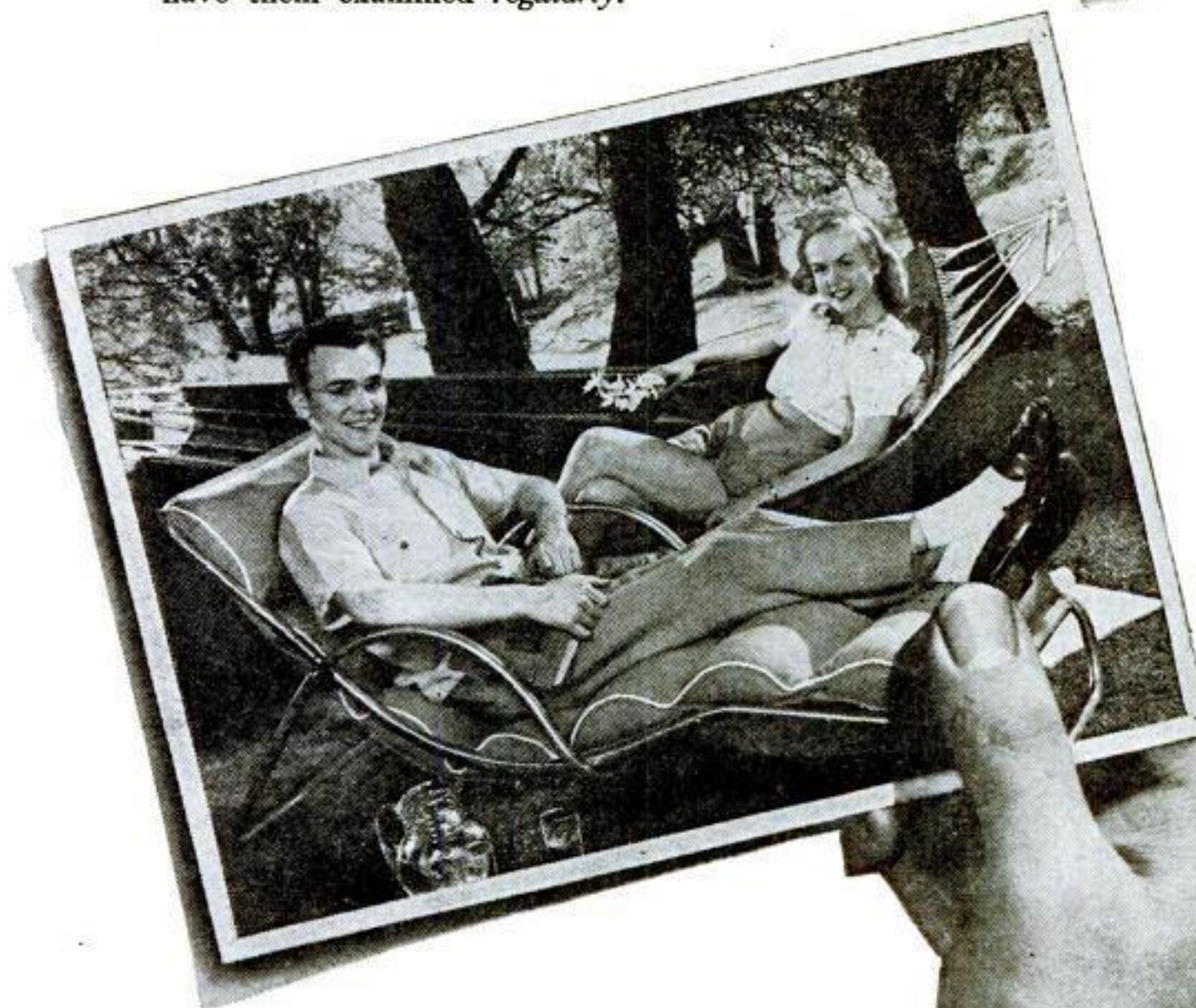
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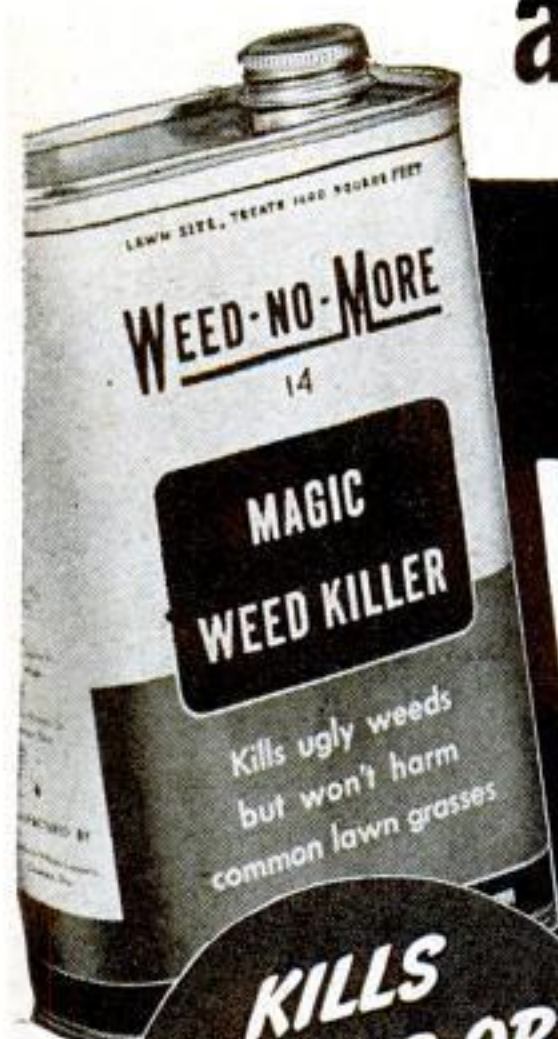
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numbers by pushing down the appropriate buttons; let us say, numbers 3, 5 and 7. Then you turn the key back again, the buttons come back up and lock into position, and you have your secret combination.

When you call up from outside, you wait until the Ipsophone has announced itself. After the word "Attention" in its brief message, you say loudly and distinctly, "Hello, hello." The Ipsophone then switches to another track. Instead of asking you to speak, it starts reeling off a series of numbers, from 1 to 0, with two-second pauses between each number. After your code numbers, that is after 3, 5 and 7, you repeat twice, loudly and distinctly, the words "Hello, hello." If you haven't forgotten your combination, the Ipsophone, after completing its counting, will then repeat for you the messages it has taken down in your absence.

If you have forgotten the combination, the Ipsophone will simply give you a derisive busy signal. The same, of course, will happen to anybody who tries to listen to your messages without knowing the combination you have picked. Since there are 1,023 possible combinations (it would take anyone at least eight hours of steady work to try them all) and since you can change your combination any time you like, your secrecy is guaranteed.

After you have heard what your Ipsophone has to say to you, you will probably want to erase the messages. This, too, is a simple operation. When the Ipsophone has said all it has to say, you hear a buzz signal. You then say: "Erase, erase," and the messages disappear forever.

Suppose you want to give a message yourself. After the first buzz signaling that the Ipsophone has given you all its messages, you say again, "Hello, hello." Then you say whatever you have to say, and the Ipsophone will take it down. Suppose you have to take a trip to close a big business deal in, say, Chicago. Your partner, meanwhile, is going down to New Orleans on business. The hotel situation being what it is, however, neither of you knows where you will find a room.

Before leaving, you and your partner agree on a combination for the Ipsophone. You both close the office and catch your trains. Arrived in Chicago, you finally manage to get a bed in a small hotel. Next day you settle your business deal. How do you let your partner know about it? Find the nearest phone booth, call your number in New York, tell the Ipsophone where you are staying and what the results of your business conference were. When your partner calls up, all he has to do is tell the Ipsophone the proper combination and listen to what you have to say.

The Ipsophone gives everyone two chances. If the person calling you is too astonished at first to speak, the instrument will wait for 12 seconds and then repeat its text. If you have to leaf through a sheaf of notes while speaking to it, you have 12 seconds to find what you are looking for and go on talking.

The Ipsophone is a compact instrument

The greatest difficulty in the development of the Ipsophone was to make it a true automatic telephonograph. The Ipsophone today arrives at an office in two parts: one, a big box covered with a metal hood and about as large as two ordinary typewriter tables set side by side; the second, the telephone itself. The box contains the entire recording apparatus and can be set up anywhere in the office. In Switzerland, it is rented out on a five-year contract for 150 Swiss francs (or about \$35) per month. When will you be able to have an Ipsophone in your office in America? Certainly not immediately. The Ipsophone cannot simply be installed and put to work. People have to know about it so they will not be too startled to talk when they hear it on the other end of the telephone. This means a wide advertising campaign.

Another obstacle is the cool relationship between the U. S. government and the Oerlikon company, which sold munitions to Germany during the war. Oerlikon's head is Emil George Bührle, a former German citizen and Switzerland's wealthiest munitions manufacturer. Mr. Bührle is currently trying to find a way to sue the U. S. government for \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,000 worth of royalties on guns manufactured for the U. S. armed forces by his Providence, R. I. subsidiary. Meanwhile he is not quite certain that he will be able to guard his exclusive claim to the Ipsophone, whose origin is still somewhat obscure. The Oerlikon company claims it "acquired" patents from Germany's Herr Müller. How it "acquired" them may well soon be the subject of investigation by American occupation authorities in Germany. If Bührle's legal claim is not airtight, the field of manufacture would be open to U. S. citizens, leaving Mr. Bührle on the outside of this prospective gold mine looking in.

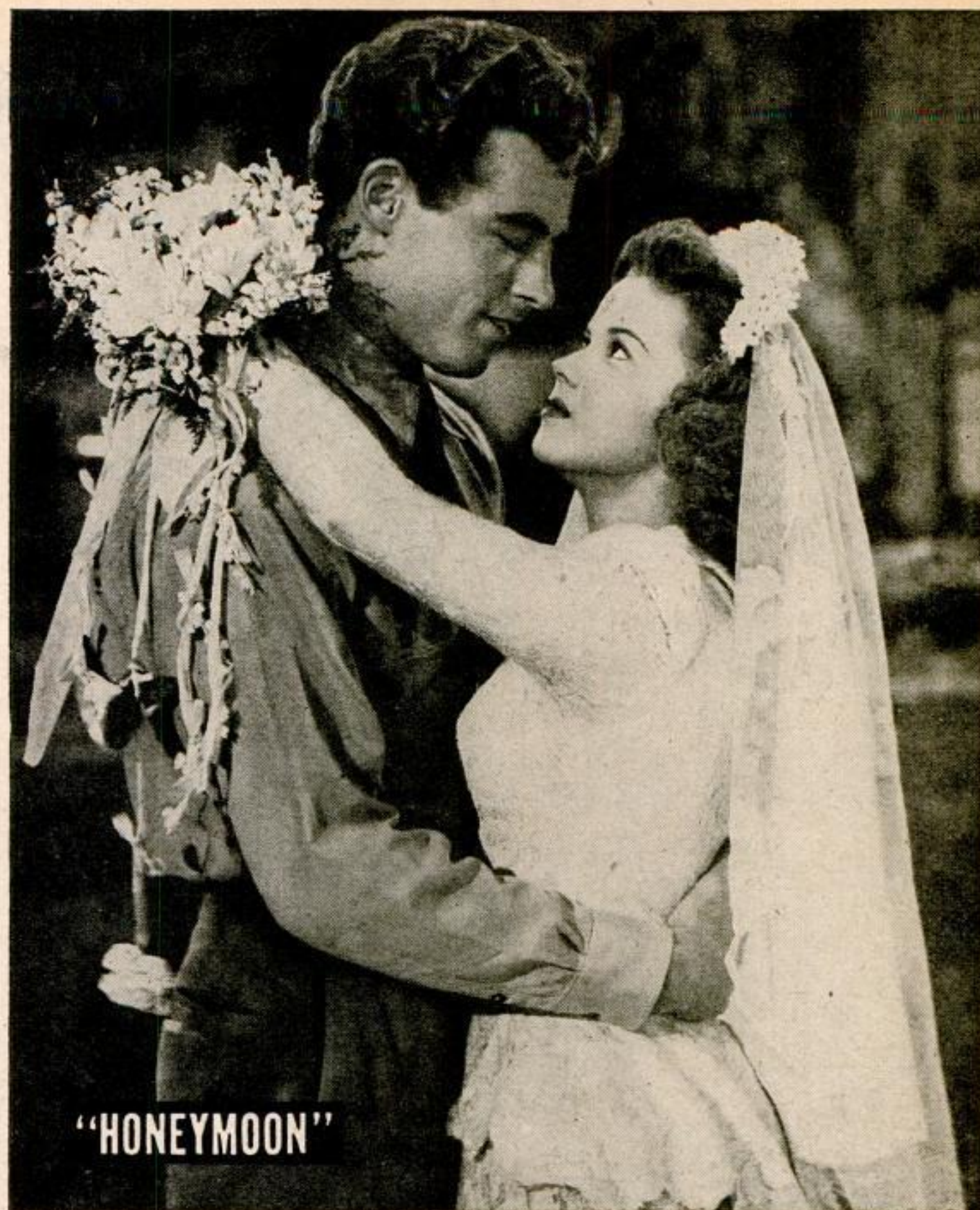
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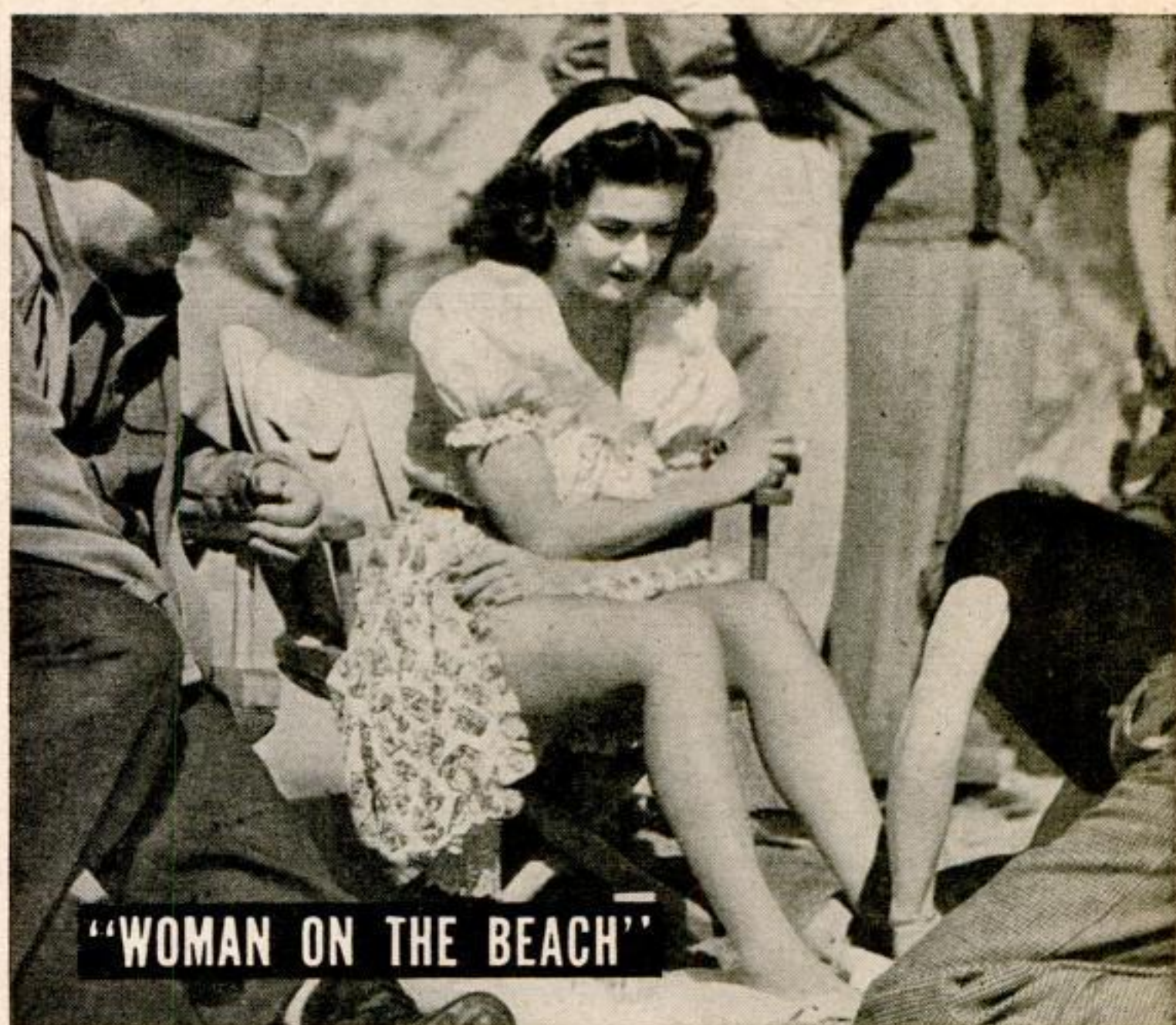
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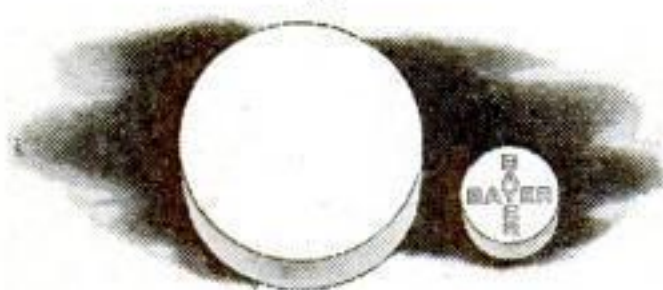
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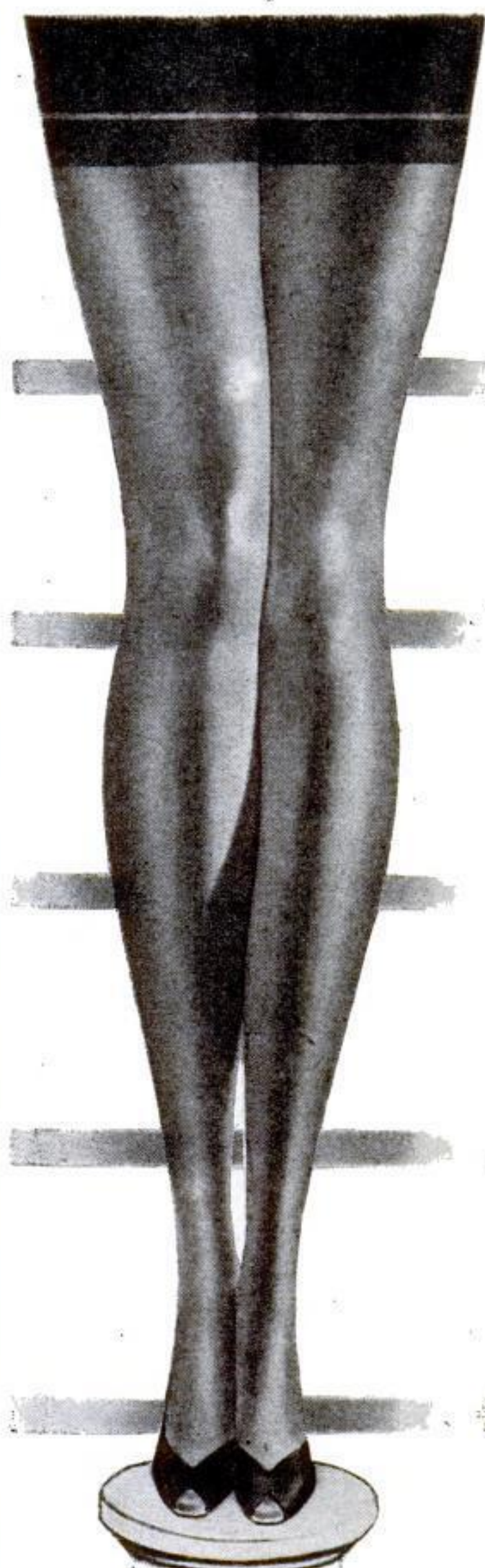
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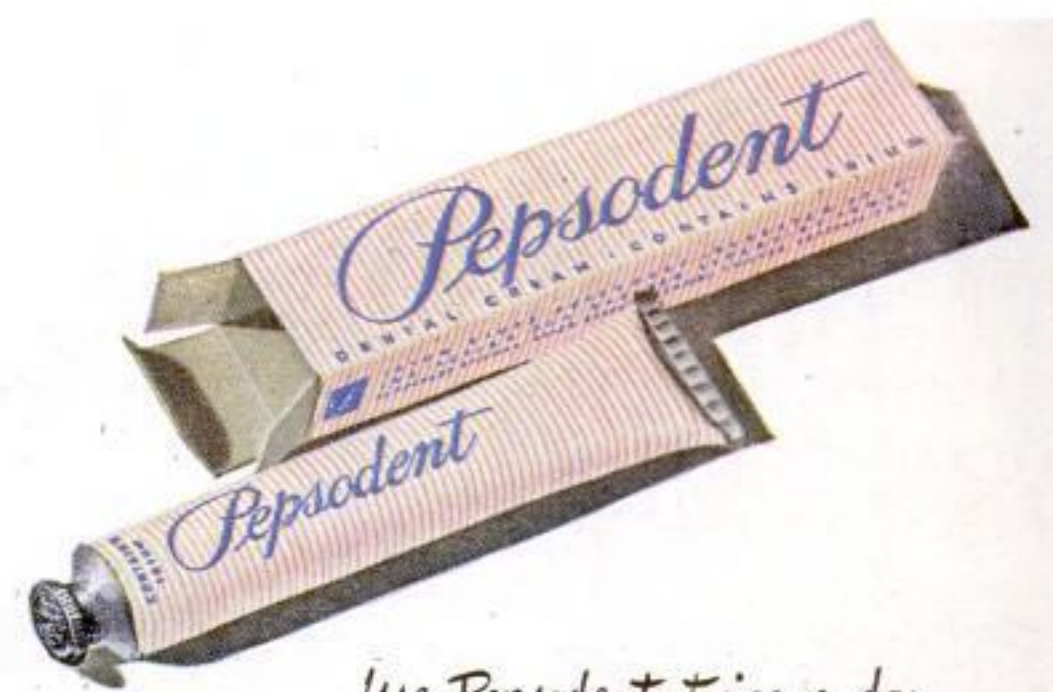
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BRITISH SENTRY BARS THE WAY TO OFFICES OF THE JEWISH AGENCY IN JERUSALEM AFTER BRITISH CLOSED THE AGENCY AND ARRESTED MOST OF ITS LEADERS

BLOOD RUNS IN PALESTINE VIOLENCE

The contagious winds of ill will blew with foreboding over Palestine last week, fanning the political passions of British, Arab and Jew to flame. In Tel Aviv, largest all-Jewish city in the world, the British clamped down a 22-hour curfew for four days. Violators were warned that troops had orders to shoot to kill. In Jerusalem the Jewish Agency, which by League of Nations mandate represents all Jews within the overly promised Promised Land, was now closed and guarded (*above*). Nearby rescue squads still dug for victims in the ruins of the King David Hotel, blown up by Jewish terrorists (*pp. 22-23*). Throughout the land some 3,500 Jews

passed in and out of detention camps. No longer were British troops permitted to fraternize with Palestine Jews. The order, written by Lieut. General Evelyn Barker, British Commander in Chief, was so Goebblesque in tone that his own government in London publicly rebuked him last week.

This bad blood is the result, in recent weeks, of a vicious circle of irritation. Bridges have been blown, headquarters raided, terrorists sentenced to death, British officers kidnaped, homes searched for hidden arms, curfews imposed. Each act has led to more severe retaliation.

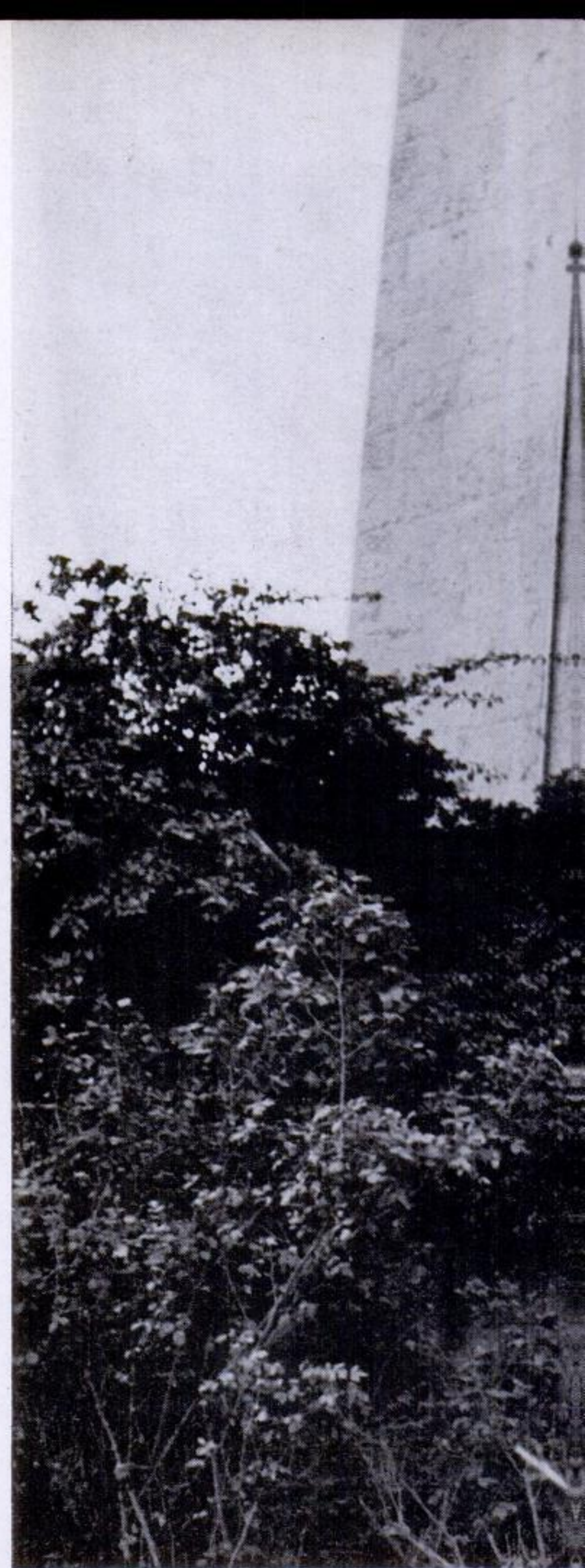
Meanwhile, on the over-all issue of the coun-

try's future, the Anglo-American Cabinet Committee on Palestine last week proposed to split the Holy Land into three parts. Zionists would get 15% of the land, including two thirds of the fertile coastal strip. Arabs would retain 40% of the land, including Jaffa for a port. The British would get the desert wastes, strategically located near Egypt and Suez. They would also administer Jerusalem and Bethlehem, retaining a central government with wide powers. Upon acceptance of federalization, the British promised to admit 100,000 homeless European Jews within 12 months. But the initial reaction from both Arabs and Zionists was thumbs down.



AFTER BLAST of the King David Hotel on July 22, British troops worked feverishly with pneumatic drills to rescue members of the Palestine government and of the

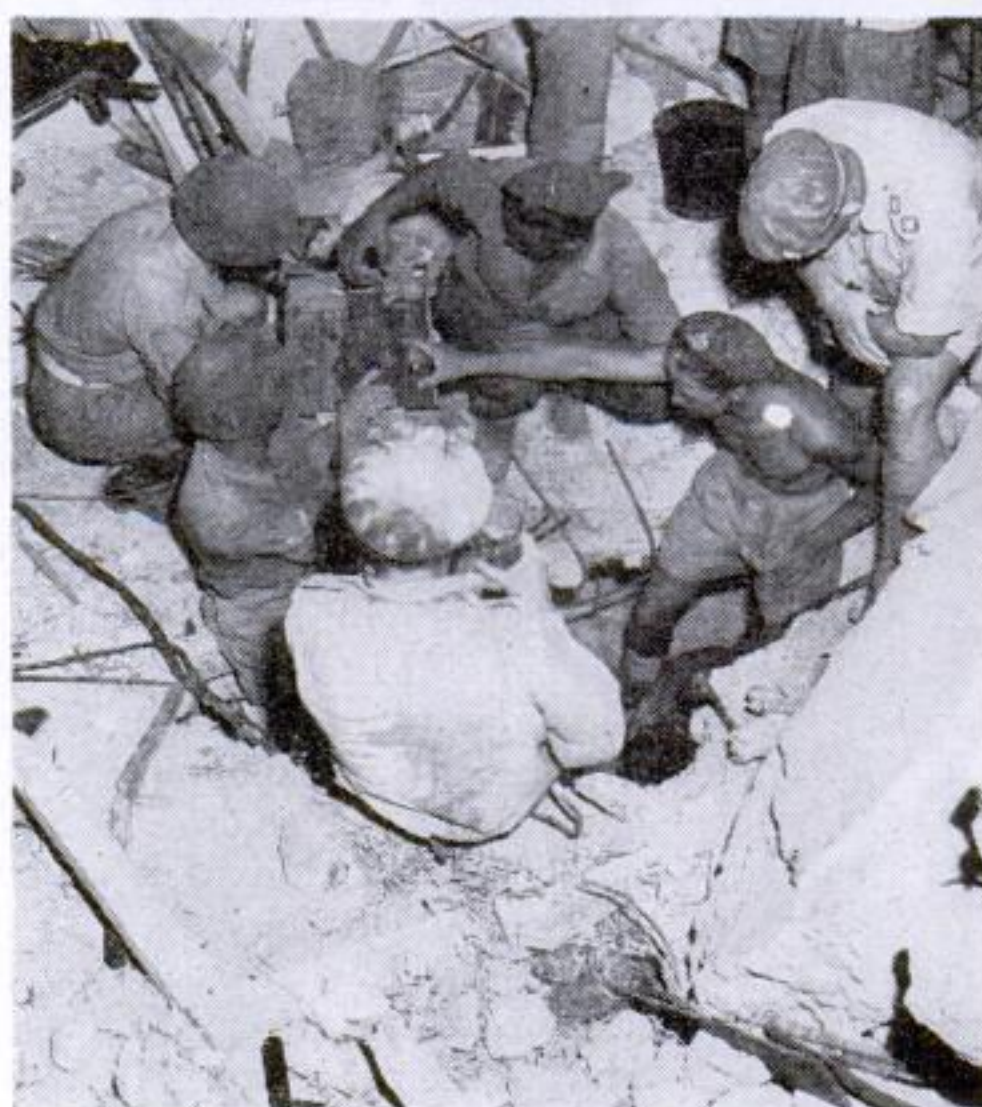
British army headquarters who were trapped when seven floors of southern wing of hotel collapsed. Ninety-one were killed and 45 were injured in final official count.



BLOOD SPLOTCH on wall of Y.M.C.A. across street from the hotel marks the spot where F. W. Keyes, chief of government finances in the Palestine government, was



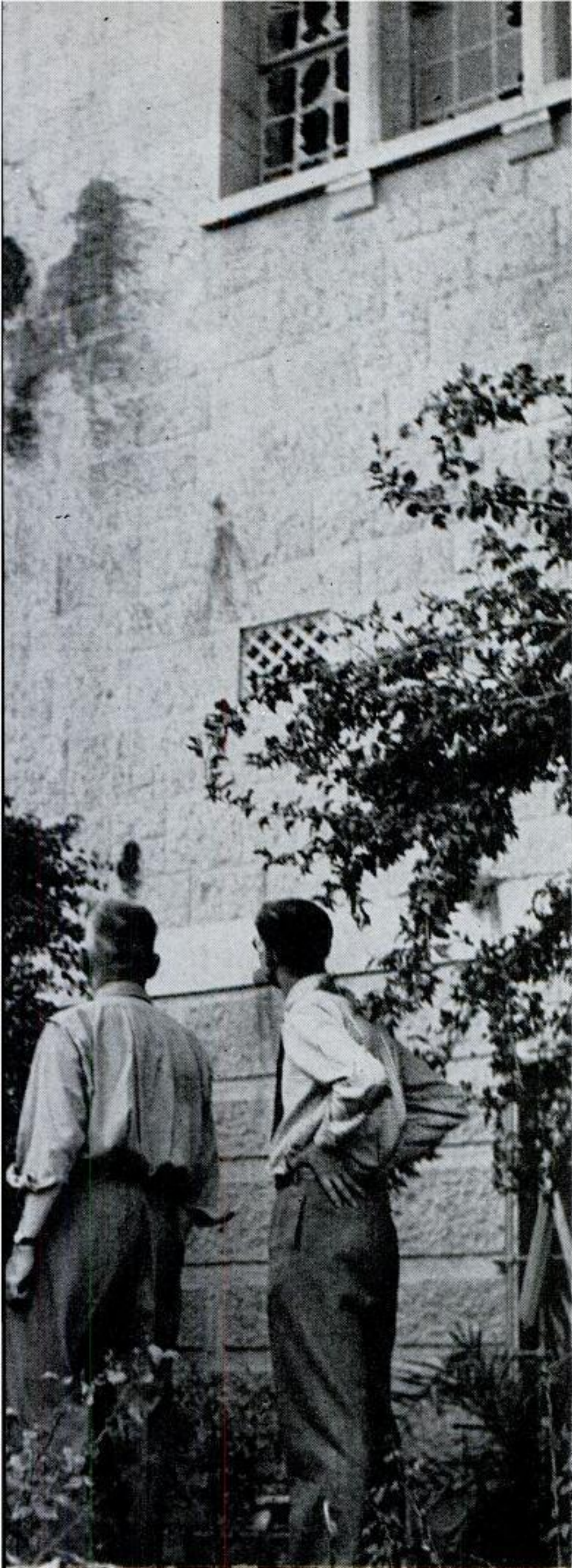
RESCUERS start digging for Downing C. Thompson, 57, the assistant chief secretary to Palestine government.



A SHAFT is dug through 12 feet of rubble by men of 6th Airborne Division who could hear Thompson talking.



A CORPORAL shouted, "Is that a Wog (Arab) down there?" "Yes, a Wog named Thompson," was the answer.

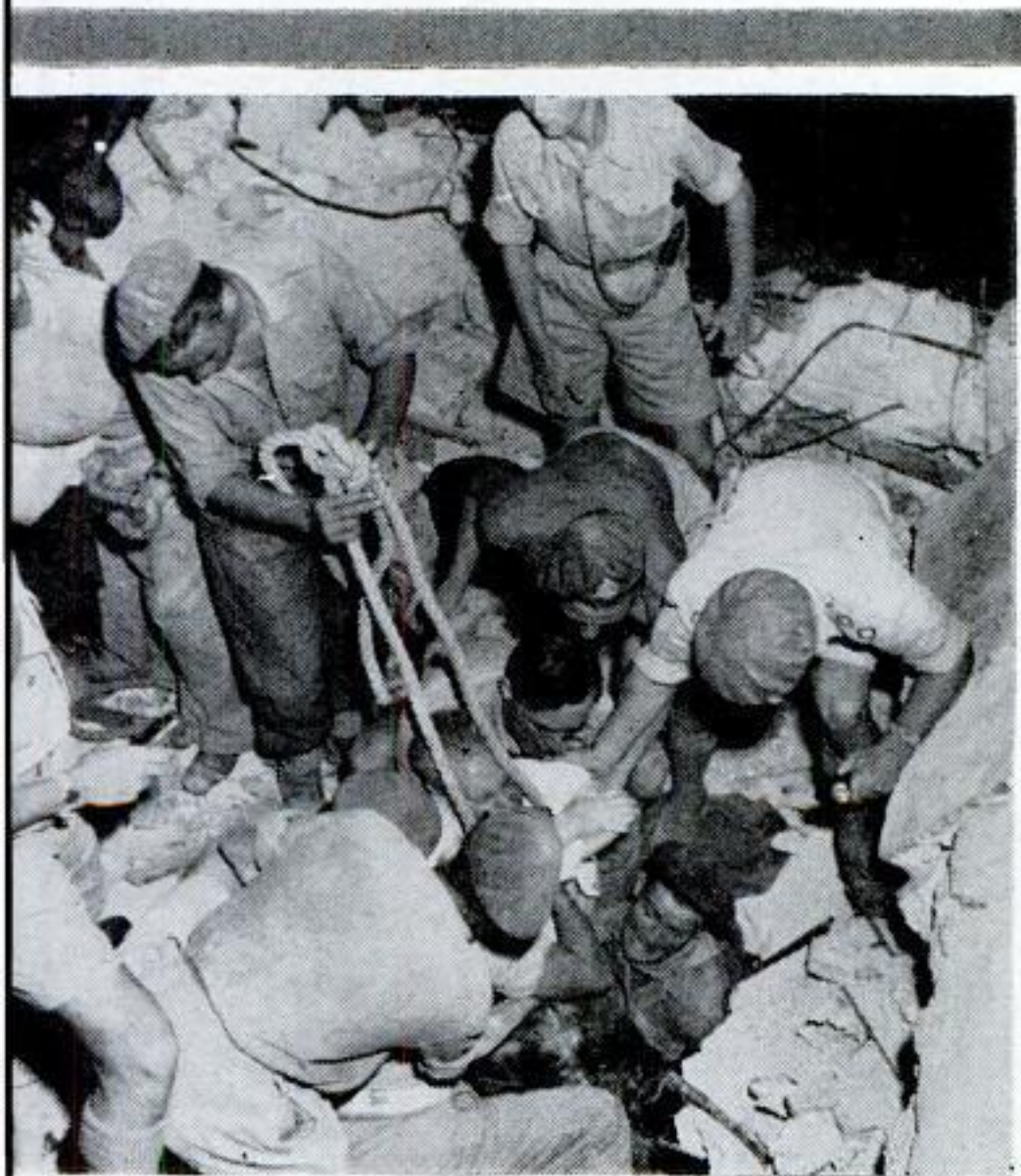


hurled to his death. He was working at his desk when the blast blew him, like a projectile, 75 yards across street. The explosives were carried into the hotel in milk cans.



THE HAND of a dead victim emerges from the ruins at the foot of a rescue worker. The bombing of the hotel, the most violent anti-British act in 22 years of Palestine

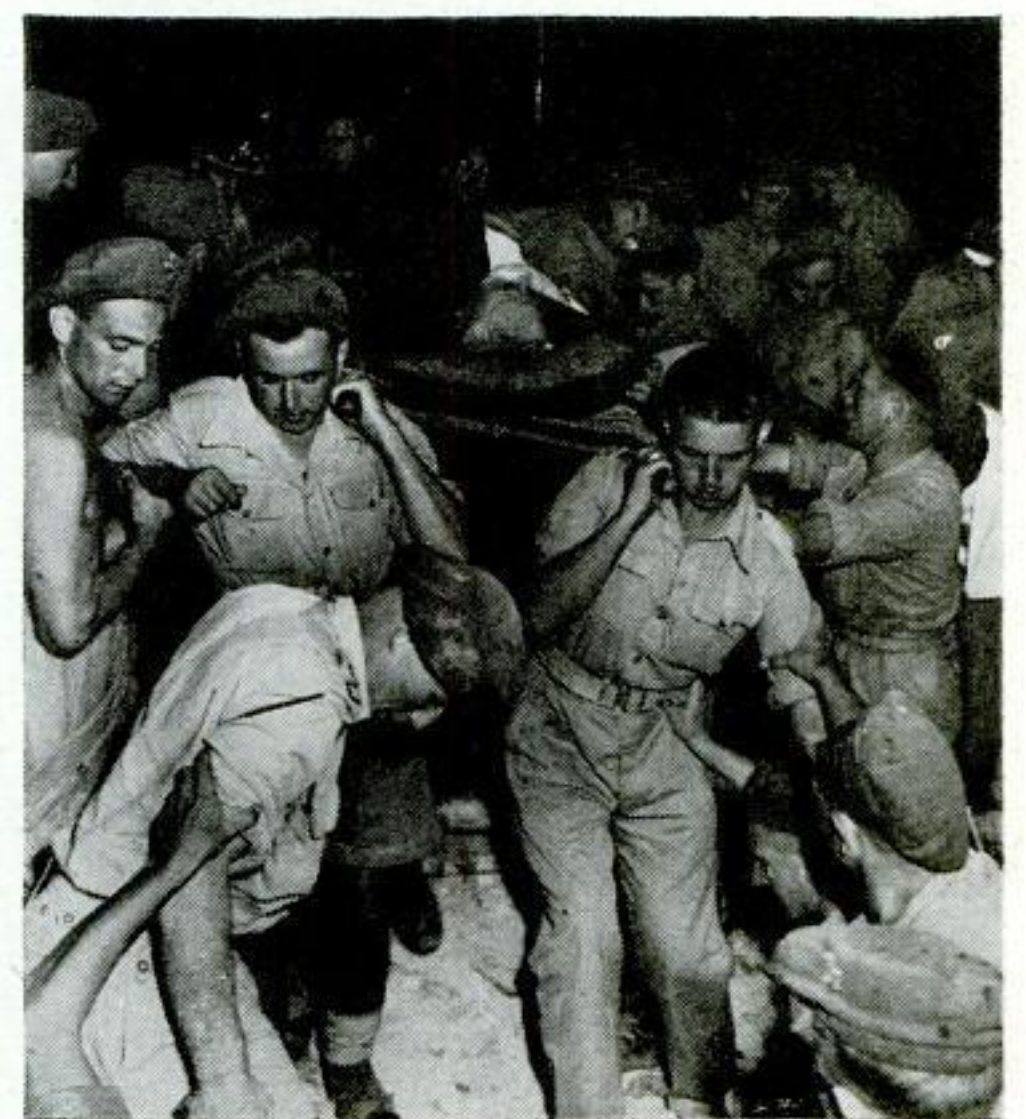
turbulence, killed British, Arabs and Jews alike. Terrorists claim that they phoned authorities 22 minutes in advance to warn them to evacuate all offices in the hotel.



ROPE in the form of a cradle hoists Thompson out of hole. A Catholic priest stood by to administer last rites.



THOMPSON was weak but conscious when rescued. Sir John Shaw, the acting head of government, is at left.



"THANKS a lot, chaps," Thompson mumbled after 31-hour ordeal. He died of internal injuries nine days later.



AIR HAMMER is used by a soldier to crack this apartment-house landing where rifles were found. The settlers, offered chance to move elsewhere during the search, refused.



MINE DETECTORS were used to find weapons hidden underground. As most cooperatives are built on same pattern, search helped British find caches in other settlements.

BRITISH UNCOVER RECORD CACHE OF HIDDEN WEAPONS IN MODEL FARM COMMUNITY

After Jewish terrorists blew up eight bridges over the River Jordan in June, the British army began searching Jewish settlements for illegal arms. At Yajur, largest Jewish cooperative farm, troops forced their way in, unearthed the biggest single cache of arms so far. Floor boards hid rifles. A children's sand pile covered half a ton of gelignite. One tool shed sheltered 21 tons of ammunition and arms. According to LIFE Photographer David Duncan, no

shots were fired, no property needlessly harmed. After the raid the British removed 500 of Yajur's younger men for questioning.

Later Duncan visited the Rafa Barracks where 1,100 Jews, suspected of possible violence, were detained prior to questioning and release. Twenty detainees claimed to have been beaten but he found only one man with marks of any kind on his body. Everyone, including this man, looked well (*opposite*).



SUITCASE of grenade detonators is carried by Palestine police who also helped to uncover 5,714 hand grenades, six machine guns and 46 pistols in the community.



AMMUNITION for light machine guns and signal pistols is examined by ordnance men. Search also brought to light 357 rifles, 91 mortars, 258,207 rounds of ammunition.



JEWES AWAIT RELEASE FROM A BRITISH DETENTION BARRACKS IN GOOD SPIRITS

G. B. S.

ALL HONOR TO HIS GENIUS; BUT HIS MESSAGE IS IRRELEVANT TO OUR PROBLEMS TODAY

There has just passed through the literary world a great parade of speeches, articles, dinners and tributes to and about George Bernard Shaw, who reached the age of 90 on July 26. Almost every U.S. magazine, including LIFE, paid its respects to the "grand old boy" in one way or another, and the British got up a volume of *Festschrift, G.B.S. 90*, containing many kind and true words. It may seem a little tardy to throw an editorial after this big parade. Yet Shaw is a towering genius worth talking about at any time, and in the welter of birthday praise and gratulation a few things went unsaid.

In his 1913 preface to *The Quintessence of Ibsenism*, Shaw warned that "the most effective way of shutting our minds against a great man's ideas is to take them for granted and admit he was great and have done with him. It really matters very little whether Ibsen was a great man or not. What does matter is his message and the need of it." And what matters about Shaw in 1946 is not that he is 90 but his message, the net result of his long life and brilliant work. Where does it fit the moral, political and philosophical needs of the years just ahead? It doesn't fit very well.

Wiping Up the Victorians

Shaw, as Laurence Housman says, "was sent into the world to wipe up the Victorian age." Beginning in the '90s he let loose a series of exciting problem dramas that exposed the economic realities behind every major social evil from slums to war. His weapon, sheathed with wit, was common sense; his first targets were various forms of hypocrisy. And insofar as it set us all on guard against self-delusion, Shaw's idol smashing has been one of the most salutary influences on this century.

He did not confine himself to empty or overstuffed idols, however. He tangled, as all great minds must, with the basic beliefs and principles by which men live. In championing Ibsen, for example, Shaw announced that not mere hypocrisy but "ideals and idealism" were the villains of Ibsen's plays. The message was that there are no given standards for the conduct of life; "conduct must justify itself by its effect on life and not by its conformity to any rule or ideal." The essence of Shaw's position is that ideals and practice should correspond; and it means that if you cannot live up to your ideals, it is better to bring your ideals down to the level of your behavior. That is common sense with a vengeance.

With this doctrine Shaw uprooted the pruned and prickly hedge of official morality in which the Victorian age had sought to confine its old Adam. Nothing has yet taken the place of that hedge; and the rest of the so-called Shavian age has been one long frantic effort on the part of all original thinkers, including Shaw, to plant a new hedge before the authorities decide to fill the gap with a spiked fence and soldiers.

Meanwhile the influence of Shaw's idea, especially on not-so-original thinkers, grew perfectly immense. Every college sophomore with any literary pretensions chose Shaw almost automatically as the subject of his term paper. To this Shaw added another and bigger following by his incessant pamphleteering and readi-

ness with a witty or at least an extravagantly contrary opinion on every occasion, becoming the most widely quoted man alive. He came to New York in 1933 and addressed a packed audience at the Metropolitan Opera House. Calling the Statue of Liberty a "monstrous idol," he advised us to chuck out our Constitution, which was "a charter of anarchism." With Thomas W. Lamont and other bankers flanking him on the platform, he undertook to prove that "every financier is 95% a lunatic." When he announced that "the capitalist system has really broken down," he was rewarded with prolonged cheers.

Similar cheers have rewarded his forays during most of his later life. Not since 1915, when he was thrown out of the Dramatists' Club for his unorthodox reaction to the sinking of the *Lusitania*, have many people really resented Shaw's attacks on received opinion; he has been buffeting pillows for the past 30 years. And this is because the ideas and institutions he attacks, however seemingly respectable, were long ago drained by the influence of Shaw's own "realistic morality" of any spinal fluid, any real belief.

The Biological View

But Shaw's career was not one of destruction only. He had another big idea besides pragmatism, and that, as J. B. Priestley kindly calls it, was "the conception of the community as a living whole." Shaw has always tended to look at people more as a biologist than as an artist. His plays almost never start from, nor are they mainly concerned with, an individual human character; even *Candida* is the puppet expositor of a behavior problem. If there is one bald spot on Shaw's luxuriant talent, it is a queer insensitivity to the importance of men and women as individuals. He thinks of them first in terms of classes or as Mr. Everyman or as the human race.

He started thinking of them as classes when he read Karl Marx in 1882, and a great part of his enormous energy has gone into preaching Socialism ever since. When he went on to the larger problems of man's destiny and life's meaning, Shaw still clung to his biological viewpoint, adding a little mysticism. In *Back to Methuselah* (1921) he proclaimed his theory of a "Life Force" which, working through man's mind and will, can enable the human race to add cubits to its stature and centuries to its span, merely by taking thought. His mysticism has interesting Hindu overtones, as does his vegetarian conviction that animals are just as important as human beings. But it also comes out that with Shaw human beings are no more important than animals.

The totalitarian streak in Shaw's "biologism" found him peculiarly vulnerable to the arguments of Hitler and Mussolini. Even after Hitler came to power, Shaw continued his own attacks on democracy and the parliamentary system, which he called "not worth preserving" in an article written in 1938. This article was entitled *Dictators—Let us have more of them*, and included the statement that "there are many people in the world who ought to be liquidated." He still believes that wholesale euthanasia is preferable to incarceration. Unlike

most Socialists, he admires Stalin and what he calls Russia's "genuine democratic socialism." Of course, Shaw has said and written so much in his life that this silliness can perhaps be classed with his more innocent bad guesses. Much indeed can be forgiven Shaw but not the central political point of his work. For what it comes to in the end is, in his own phrase, "only dynamite and scientific breeding."

Shaw is neither an irreligious man nor a science worshipper. His heresy, if such it may be called, is too much faith in his own and a few other great men's powers of mind. It is an exciting, a Promethean, heresy. But after 90 years of them it is surely clear that even Shaw's reasoning powers are as fallible as the Victorians' Thirty Nine Articles and are just as capable of causing folly and sorrow.

Useless Giants

One critic, on rereading Shaw, says he finds nothing but "a chaos of clear ideas." Whether this is just to Shaw or not, it is a good epithet for the best aspects of the Shavian age. What giants they were, the gravediggers of Victorianism! They analyzed everything and started others doing the same, leaving behind them the most overanalyzed age in history. They laughed and celebrated with a confidence and vigor, unsurpassed since the Renaissance. They had a hell of a good time, he and Wells and Webb and the rest. They have lived clean, full lives and done a prodigious amount of work, and even in the flesh they seem destined to live forever.

But as Shaw said of Jesus, "It is the doctrine that counts, not the man." These great men's doctrine is useless today. A world full of nihilists needs less, not more, pragmatism in its morality, and a world scarcely rid of Hitler needs less, not more, biology in its politics. As for religion, these men rose out of a prolonged age of faith, and the controlling ethics of that faith, which they could take for granted, are what made them work so hard to understand and improve the world. The coming age must also find a faith to keep itself going. And it will have to be a faith in something more human and more believable than a Life Force or kinship with animals or pure reason. "I am religious enough," wrote Shaw at 88, with the anxious exaggeration of a mellowing freethinker, "to have spent a great part of my life trying to clean up the heavily barnacled creeds, and make them credible, believing as I do that society cannot be held together without religion." Unfortunately, creeds cannot be reasoned or scrubbed into a state of credibility. That job will take another prophet, and he will be a very different kind of prophet from Shaw.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK: ➔

The benign old gentleman on the opposite page is Edward H. Crump, political boss of Memphis, having the time of his life at a party he threw for his voters at an amusement park before the Aug. 1 Democratic primary. The boss reneged on a promise to ride the roller coaster on his head, but he gave away 30,000 hot dogs and 1,600 gallons of lemonade, exuded enough charm to please the most doubting rebel. His candidates, Senator McKellar and Governor McCord, won renomination hands down.

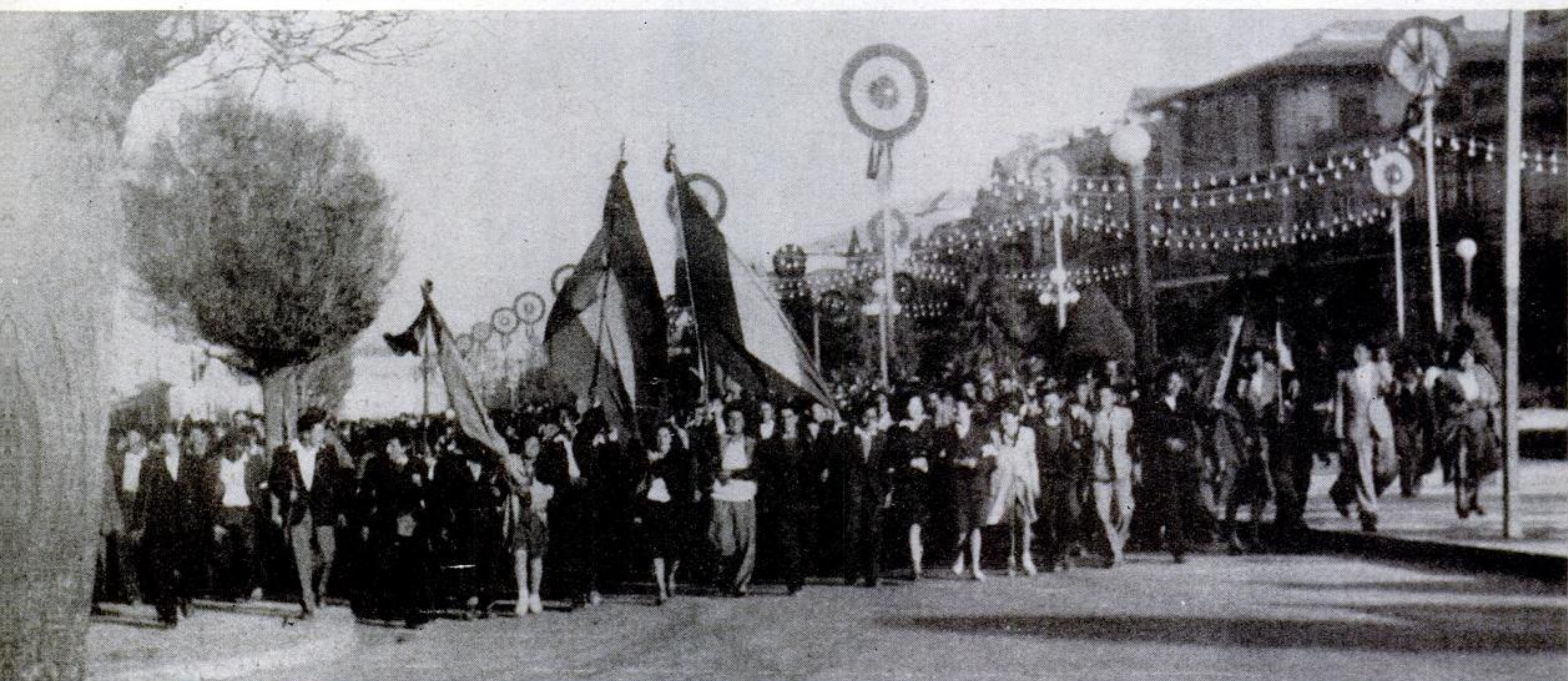
BOSS CRUMP RIDES A ROLLER COASTER WITH HIS
CONSTITUENTS TO HELP WIN TENNESSEE PRIMARY





IN STREET FIGHTING rebels captured municipal and military buildings, finally working their way to governmental palace itself. Men above are firing into Calama regiment

headquarters, where military diehards are entrenched. Soldiers from some regiments and cadets from the military college refused to fire on people. There were 800 casualties.



SUCCESSFUL REBELS, led by students waving banners (*above*), parade through city streets Sunday afternoon about half hour after storming palace and twice hanging Villar-

roel. In more somber mood two days later (*below*) a 45-block-long procession marches through respectful crowds bearing coffins of those who died fighting Villarroel forces.





STUDENT-REBEL, armed with gun seized from police supplies, rushes to join in storming presidential palace.

BOLIVIAN REVOLT

University students storm palace
and hang dictator from lamppost

One more dictator met his end on July 21 when Gu-
alberto Villarroel, president of Bolivia, was hanged
from a lamppost outside his palace.

Students of the University of La Paz were the ring-
leaders. They had started the revolt two weeks ear-
lier by demonstrating in the streets of the capital.
Troops fired, killing three students, and the revolu-
tion grew. Supported by the Workers' Federation,
the students broke into the city arsenals, armed
themselves and stormed the presidential palace. Vil-
larroel and his followers fought them off but finally
they broke in. Finding the dictator badly wounded,
they hurled him into the courtyard below, where he
died at the rebels' feet. They hanged his body from
the lamppost. Next day a liberal junta was formed
by the students, professors and workers with a su-
preme-court justice at its head.

Fear struck the other South American dictators.
In Paraguay, Dictator Higinio Moríngo asked per-
mission to resign and leave the country. And in Ar-
gentina, Perón's newspapers blamed the Bolivian re-
volt on the fine Yanqui hand of U.S. "imperialism."



BEFORE REVOLT, bemedaled Villarroel had ruled for
30 months after scoring coup against previous president.

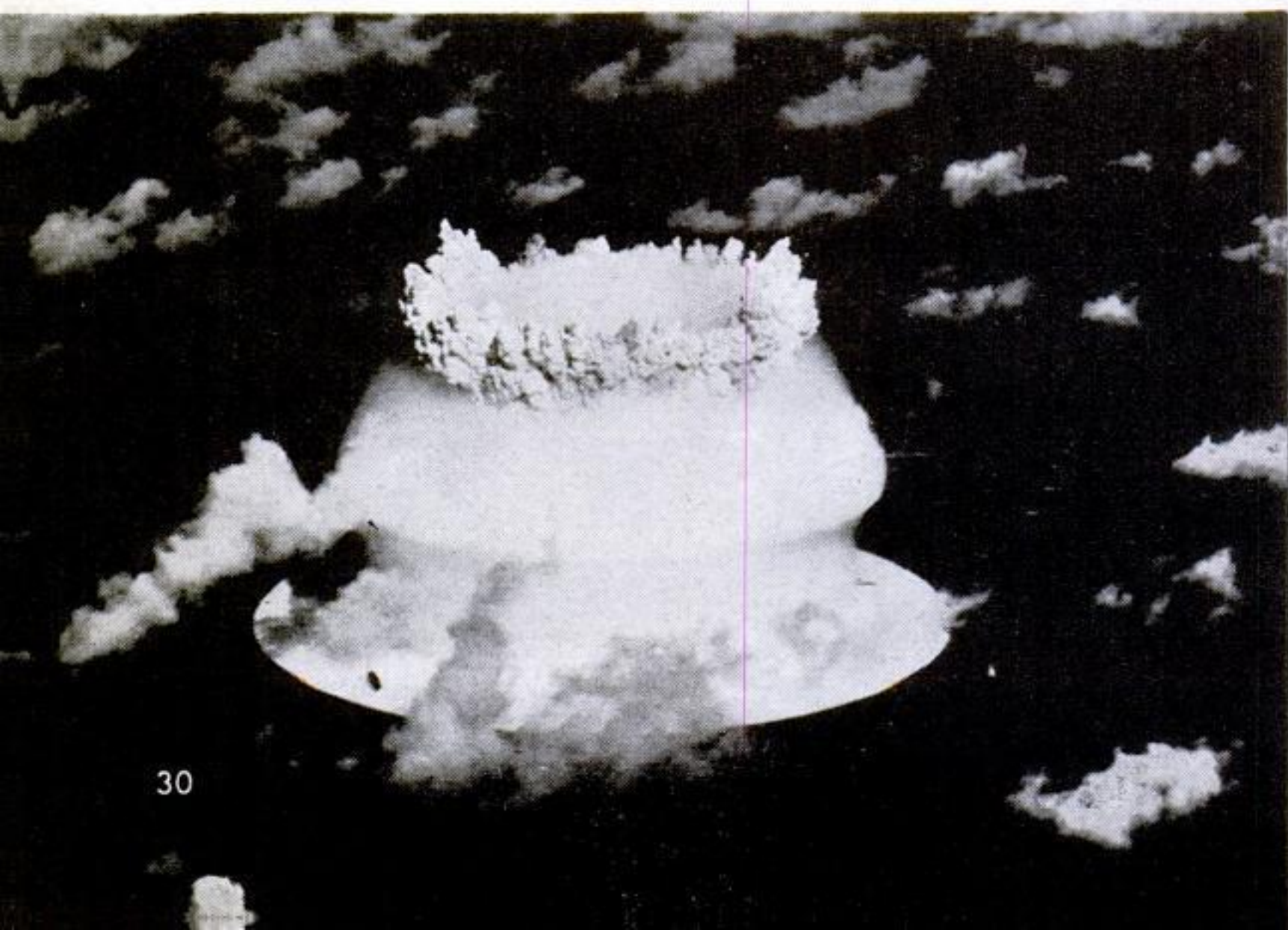


**BOLIVIAN DICTATOR VILLARROEL HANGS
FROM A LAMPPOST OUTSIDE HIS PALACE**



COLUMN OF WATER THROWN UP BY BOMB CLIMBS ABOVE TARGET ARRAY. IN RIGHT SIDE OF COLUMN IS DARK RENT PROBABLY CAUSED BY BATTLESHIP "ARKANSAS."

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF EARLY STAGE SHOWS MIST SHROUDING WATER COLUMN

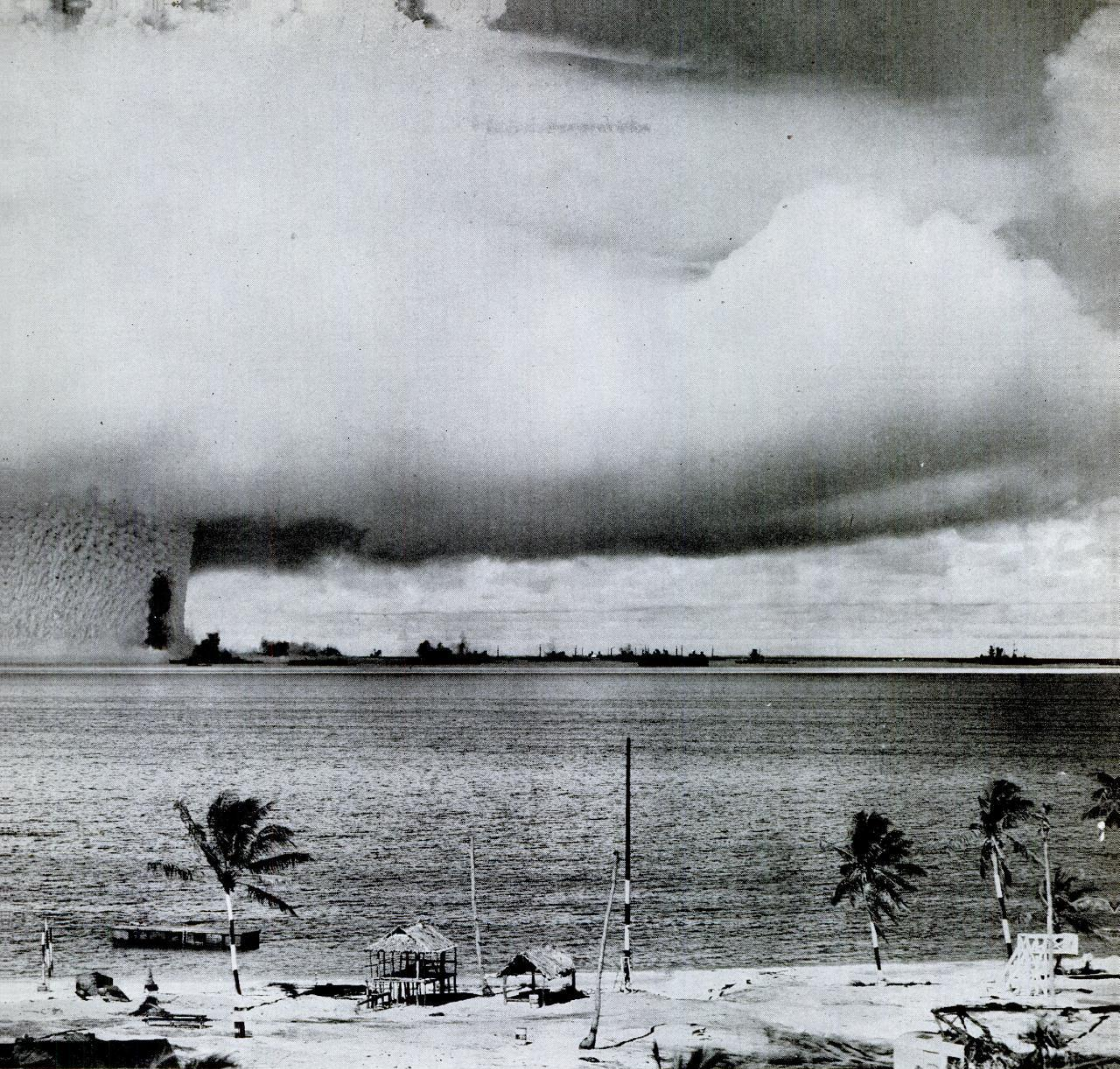


"BAKER DAY"

Awesome effects of atom bomb's underwater explosion

These strange and terrifying pictures, released last week, show clearly for the first time the effects of the atomic bomb exploded under water on "Baker Day," July 25, at Bikini Atoll. The automatic cameras that took the pictures from towers on the atoll were the same ones that photographed the over-water explosion a month before. This time, instead of showing the familiar pattern of a towering smoke column, they recorded a thick column of water, topped by a low, flat mushroom of steam. It was perhaps the most awesome man-made spectacle ever photographed.

The bomb was suspended in a concrete caisson below a landing ship at a depth somewhere between 18 and 90 feet. At the instant of detonation a great luminous dome of water rose above the surface of the lagoon. Following this a



PUFFS OF SMOKE RISE ABOVE SOME SHIPS, POSSIBLY WHERE PAINT HAS BEEN SCORCHED BY INITIAL BLAST. UMBRELLALIKE CLOUD DISSIPATED IN A FEW SECONDS

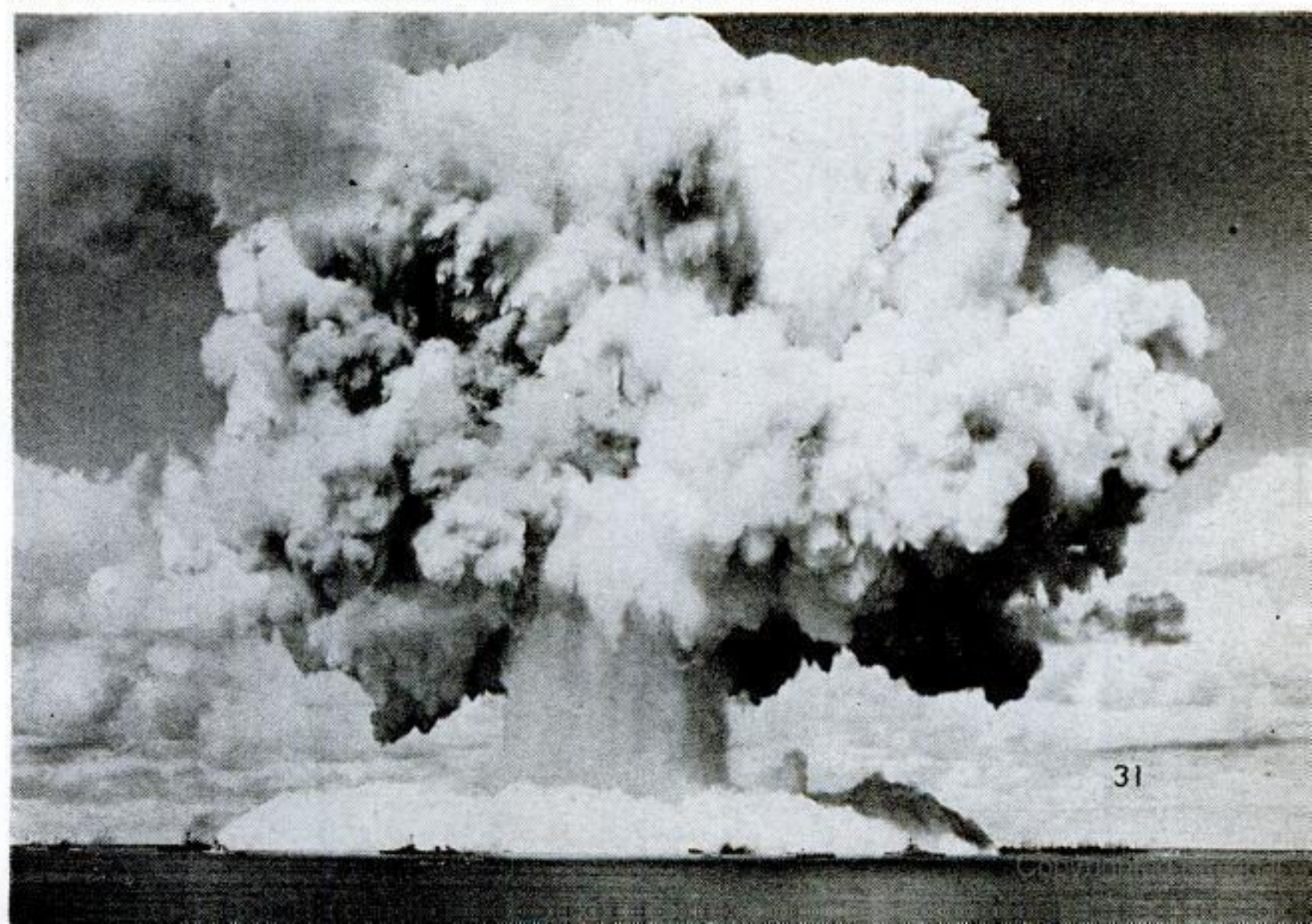
AT BIKINI

are photographed by automatic cameras on atoll's rim

light cloud quickly formed above the ships. In a few seconds the cloud vanished, revealing a solid pillar of water which climbed 5,500 feet. As the pillar collapsed, cascading tons of radioactive water over the ships, clouds of foam rolled out from its base (see picture at right).

The ancient battleship *Arkansas*, which appeared to be lifted bodily out of the water, sank before the clouds cleared away. Split open below the water line, the gallant old carrier *Saratoga* slid below the surface in eight hours. The battered Japanese battleship *Nagato* was the third capital ship to go down. Other ships in sinking condition were beached so their damage could be studied. Many of the target vessels were too radioactive to be inspected. In its effect, as well as in appearance, the second Bikini bomb was more impressive than the first.

WATER FALLS FROM THE COLUMN AFTER IT HAS REACHED ITS MAXIMUM HEIGHT





MIDSUMMER

**IN THE FIRST POSTWAR AUGUST, RELAXED CROWDS AT JONES BEACH
 TYPIFY THE U.S. DESIRE TO AVOID ANY MORE CRISES FOR A WHILE**

It was midsummer. The sun beat down hot and clear from straight overhead or hid behind a thin layer of cirrus cloud and spread a humid yellow haze. Suddenly, in the heat and stickiness, everybody was tired, dog-tired, completely fed up with neckties, panty girdles, time clocks, cook stoves, typewriters, telephones, nail polish, straight seams, contract bridge, Rotary lunches and vitamin pills.

The world, as far as anybody could see with the





sweat of August trickling into his eyes, was going to the dogs anyway. Congress was tired, too, and going home after a series of baffling debates variously interpreted as inviting inflation and guaranteeing a flood of new nylons and refrigerators. The President was back home in Missouri, angrily trying to defeat a congressman most Americans never heard of. Jimmy Byrnes was way off in Paris, attending a peace conference which even Parisians,

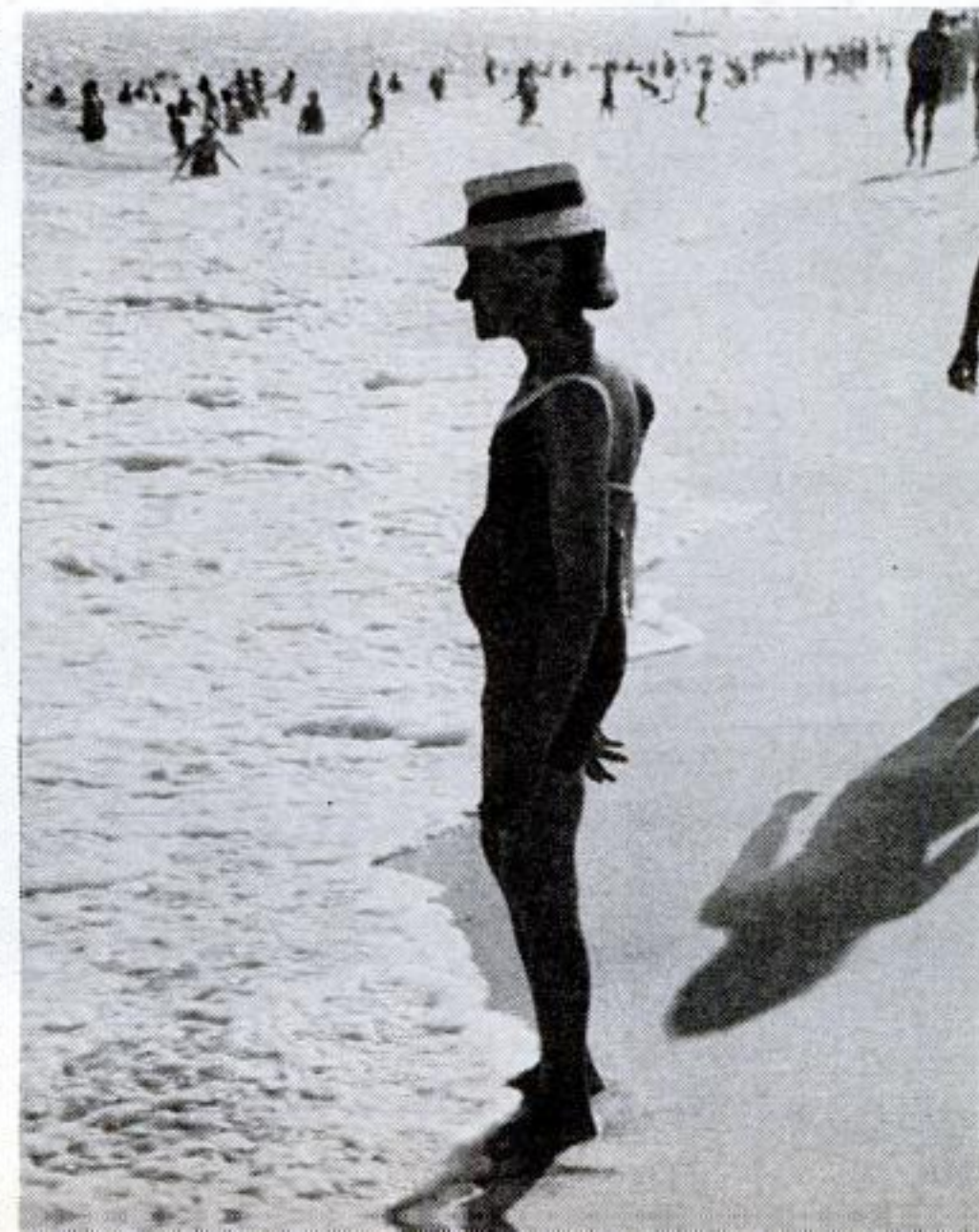
who were right there to watch, did not seem to understand. The primaries were in full swing and the voters had done a pretty job of turning out some rascals, but the balloting was light and last week in Tennessee there was an election-day riot and shooting.

If the war had ended, mankind's private wars certainly had not; as the temperature went up and editors began putting the nation's everyday squab-

bles on the front page, the headlines were appalling. Congressman May's finagling and Congressman Coffee's \$2,500 check were spelled out in big black type; the Comptroller General of the U.S. was moved to remark, "From my seat it looked as if everybody and his brother were out to get the government during the lush war years."

In Oregon a steam fitter excused the fact that he had dynamited his wife by explaining that he

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MIDSUMMER CONTINUED

merely planned to blow up her lover. In Manhattan three robbers, finding their profession dull, decided to lend it humor by stripping their victims naked. A young mother disappeared in New Hampshire, turned up in Nevada, insisted that she had been abducted by a mysterious stranger and finally admitted that she was just sick of her home life. The Ku Klux Klan had been rejuvenated to the point where the FBI was forced to start a seven-state investigation.

Even where the headlines were not frightening, they were a little too fast for the midsummer mind to follow. An Army plane flew across the U.S. in seven hours and 28 minutes, which is obviously impossible. The Treasury, which was talking about a balanced budget last spring, suddenly discovered that it was running at a \$7-billion deficit. In Illinois a carnival merry-go-round got into the spirit of things and raced around at 60 miles an hour for seven minutes, throwing off most of its passengers before it could be brought under control. Yet you still couldn't buy a new automobile or find a place to live advertised in the classified section.

So the people put their newspapers to the use for which God probably intended them in August. They folded the papers into triangles, fastened them at the corners and wore them as hats to keep off the summer sun. They spread them on beaches and covered them with frankfurters, potato salad, pickles and Thermos bottles. And then they undid their stays, let their hair down and dug their toes happily in the sand—without dignity and without care. The beach season was on; a man could escape all the exhausting confines and pretenses of civilization for the mere price of a gallon of gas or a bus ride.

These photographs could have been made almost anywhere in the U.S. last week. Actually they were made at Jones Beach, a New York state park on Long Island, close by the hot pavements of Manhattan. Socially speaking, Jones Beach is a cut above Coney Island and a cut below the fancy private clubs; like most other beaches and pools all over the nation, it is the property of the middle class to which most Americans belong or think they do. Multiply these scenes by several thousand, add the backyards where crab grass does in place of sand and a water hose in place of the ocean, add the mountain resorts and all the rest of the nation's vast vacationland, and you have a fair picture of the U.S. in August.

The picture was compounded of muscular grace and bulging waistlines, of smooth tans and freckles, of sunburn oil, adhesive plaster and soggy towels. But it was notable that the people who looked the funniest always had the most fun. Thus it would be until the nation had to button up again, slick back its hair and get to work.

If this year's escape to the beaches had a certain desperate quality, if it brought out bathing suits which obviously had been in moth balls since the early '20s, if the sighs of relief were louder and longer, this was because America had just gone through six straight summers of crisis, and everybody needed a rest. And only on a beach, staring at his own knobby knees and the lithe bodies of the youngsters, could a man view even 1946's events with the equanimity they really deserved. Actually, to a man who could sit down and cool off and maybe have somebody bury him up to the chin in sand, things weren't nearly so bad as they seemed in the city. President Truman, who has a swimming pool right in the White House where he can capture the judicial view, was reported to have made up his mind there would be absolutely no more crises in Washington this year. The C.I.O.'s President Phil Murray, apparently also influenced by the August mood, was said to have decided there would be positively no more strikes. And in the meantime there was almost no unemployment and the flood of postwar goods was getting closer; Washington announced that production would probably hit a peacetime record this month. A record wheat crop was in and a record corn crop tasseling. Perhaps all the nation really had to fear was sunburn.



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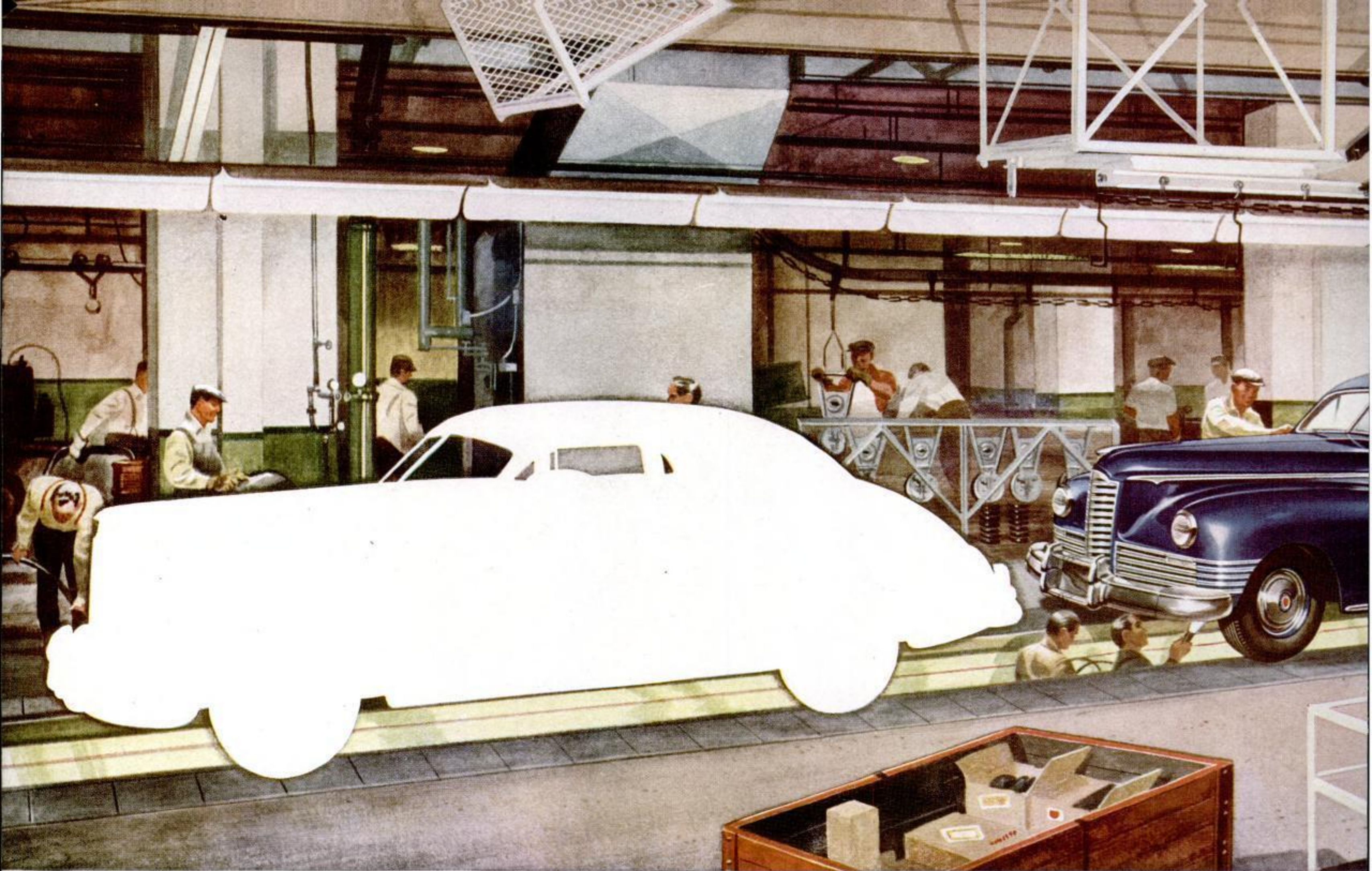
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TOURISTS

Not all the people of the U.S. were content to veg-etate at the local beach this summer (see pp.32-34). A few of the especially foot-loose citizens of an especially foot-loose nation were off on some of the most difficult and fantastic expeditions since Lewis and Clark. Two fathers and sons floated down the Mississippi River en route from Chicago to New Orleans on a 21- by 10-foot raft. Two women motorcycled from Berkeley, Calif. to Boston after one of them quit her job as an embalmer. Another pair of girls bicycled from Syracuse, N.Y. to St. Louis to win a \$25 bet. But the nation's most famous tourist was still Eleanor Roosevelt, who called for her reservation at a hotel in Portland, Maine, was told that no dogs were allowed in the rooms, quietly but firmly walked out and joined Fala at a nearby tourist cabin, leaving a red-faced room clerk to ponder through the night what the boss would say in the morning.



HOWARD SANDEL, 71, set out from Mountain Home, Ark. for La Marque, Texas, 700 miles away. To win a \$75 bet he is going by horse and wagon. Conditions of the bet are that he make the distance in 36 days, traveling only eight hours a day, never pushing his horse Ozark above a walk. For protection he carries an 1873 Springfield, the type used in Custer's Last Stand.



CARL CURTIS (right), an ex-soldier from Salem, Neb., rattled noisily into Kansas City in a 1914 Ford, en route to Detroit, 850 miles from his home town. Curtis hoped to confront Ford officials with this early vintage product of theirs, ask them if they did not think he needed a new car.



LARRY HIGHTOWER, ex-cowboy from Ellensburg, Wash., started out from his home town on July 4 with a wheelbarrow he hopes to push around the world. He plans a safe 12 years for the trip. At last week's end he had gone 300 miles along the Pacific Coast, had 19,700 to go.



FOR HOT WEATHER New preparation for REMINGTON electric shaving

• Tests by 800 men prove you can now enjoy a new high in performance from your Remington Electric Shaver—even on hot, humid days—with sensational new Lectric Shave. It's a scientific development of The J. B. Williams Company to help you get faster, closer electric shaves. Just dash a few drops on your face *before* shaving.



FASTER SHAVES!
Evaporates perspiration—lubricates

• Lectric Shave evaporates sticky, shaver-clogging perspiration—overcomes friction between the face and shaver head. It makes shaving more comfortable for men with dry skin—helps save precious minutes.

CLOSER SHAVES!
Conditions beard—softens wiry whiskers



• A special emulsifying ingredient in Lectric Shave takes the "fight" out of tough whiskers—helps you get a closer, longer-lasting shave. It's good for the motor of your shaver, too:

Free Sample—

Lectric Shave works equally well with any make of electric shaver. On sale at dealers everywhere—or send your name and address to The J. B. Williams Co., Dept. LE-3, Glastonbury, Conn., for free trial-size bottle. (Offer good in U. S. A. only.)



MAKES ELECTRIC SHAVING EASIER

TOURISTS CONTINUED



HOWARD BURETTA prepared a 29-foot sloop to leave Aug. 30 from Manitowoc, Wis. for South America. This involves sailing down Lake Michigan to Chicago, down the Illinois River to the Mississippi, down that, past New Orleans, across Gulf of Mexico.



JOHN BACON (left) and a fellow Harvard man left from Boston for Los Angeles in a 1911 Locomobile. The Locomobile, equipped with a Klaxon horn and acetylene head lamps, is, according to Bacon, "more comfortable than some of the modern vehicles."



TWO TEXANS, Ed Clevinger (left) and Dick Clark, set off with a 1914 Ford and a newer trailer on an expedition from Waco, Texas to Alaska. They hoped that they would finish their 6,000-mile trip without even having to pin up the car's side curtains.



THREE DETROITERS, Connie Wellbourn (left), her sister Jenny (center) and Zane Laidlaw, were en route to New York City in a milk wagon. They plan to tour New England this summer, swing South when the weather gets cold. They average 8 miles a day.

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Born but a few months ago, BONMOUTON,* the New Era fur, is already the toast of every fashion capital. Rich as beaver, sleek as nutria... it's no wonder BONMOUTON inspired the great designers of Paris, New York, and Hollywood to create fabulous coat *prophecies* in this Fur of the Future. (Illustrated is a jacket by Piguet.) You, too, will want a coat of BONMOUTON. It's so precious looking and costs so little. It's so practical. BONMOUTON is actually waterproofed for lasting beauty and wear. But see your furrier *now* if you want a BONMOUTON coat for your very own this Fall, because there won't be enough to go around.



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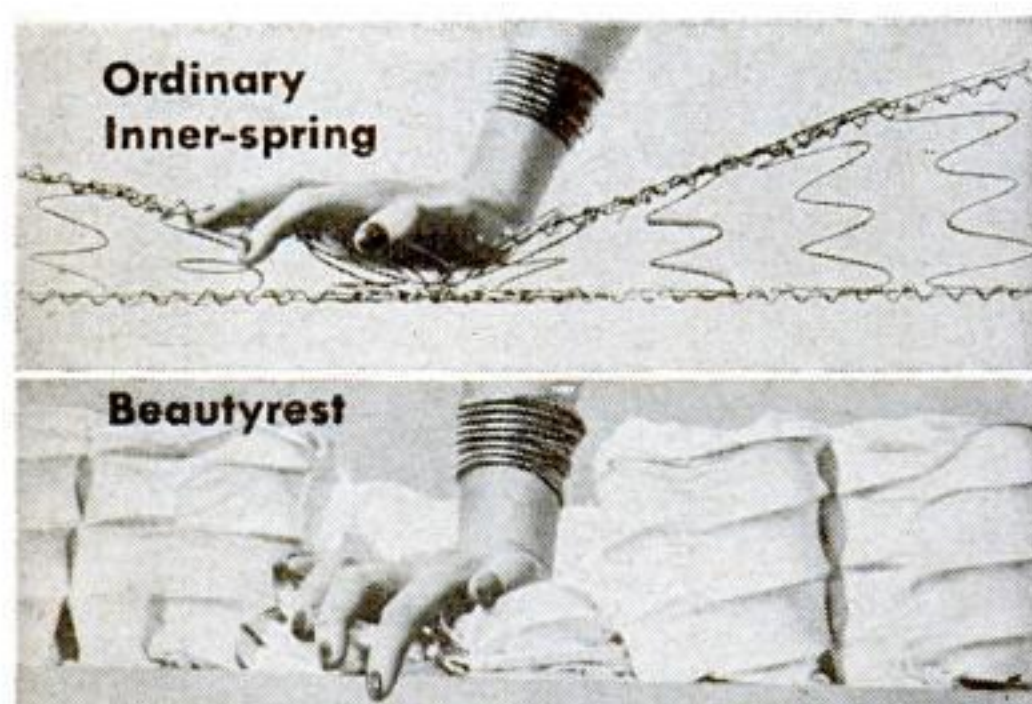
CAROLE LANDIS, star of Arnold Pressburger's "A SCANDAL IN PARIS," portrays the comfort of Beautyrest slumber.

Some friendly advice—if you NEED A NEW BEAUTYREST MATTRESS!

1. So many people want to relax on luxurious new Beautyrests, your dealer just can't oblige everyone these days, SO . . .

—be wise and order your Beautyrest NOW! Then, if you do have to wait, it won't be for long.

Remember, there's nothing more important to your *comfort, relaxation, or well-being* than a good mattress. That's why the *best* mattress is always the *best* buy—a Beautyrest!



2. Don't be fooled about "inner-springs." There are *two* different kinds. In the ordinary inner-spring mattress (top), coil springs are joined together, go down together, forming uncomfortable hollows.

But Beautyrest's 837 coil springs are *independent, not joined together*. Each separately cushions your hips, shoulders, legs.

That's what gives you *gloriously buoyant comfort!*



3. Look for more than good "looks!" It's *good construction* that counts! That's what makes the luxurious Beautyrest last so much longer.

Beautyrest is so well built that it does not sag, get lumpy or out of shape. Its patented sag-proof border stays *neat, firm, resilient*.

No wonder Beautyrest is guaranteed for at least **TEN** full years! With care, it will last *even longer*.



4. Get your money's worth! Other mattresses may not give you prewar value today—but *Beautyrest will!*

For little more than 1¢ a night, you enjoy the same *fine construction . . . superb tailoring . . . luxurious comfort* Beautyrest offered you before the war. It was a *grand value* then. It's a *great value* now.

So order your new Beautyrest *as soon as you can!* Even if you do have a short wait, it'll be worth it!

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Ten Years of Nightgowns

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Many brides think of nightgowns as married life's most important accouterment. In her new Hal Wallis, Paramount movie, *The Perfect Marriage*, Loretta Young plays a woman who has been happily married for 10 years. In the picture Miss Young wears two nightgowns, both of them suitable for a veteran of marriage in her early 30s. To fill in the intervening years from wedding day to 10th year, LIFE asked Dressmaker Edith Head to design a whole wardrobe of nightgowns, with each one reflecting a woman's mood as she enters on another year of marriage. Loretta Young modeled the lingerie and the results are shown on these pages.

THIRD YEAR ENDS TROUSSEAU. NIGHTGOWN IS YOUTHFUL, DEMURE

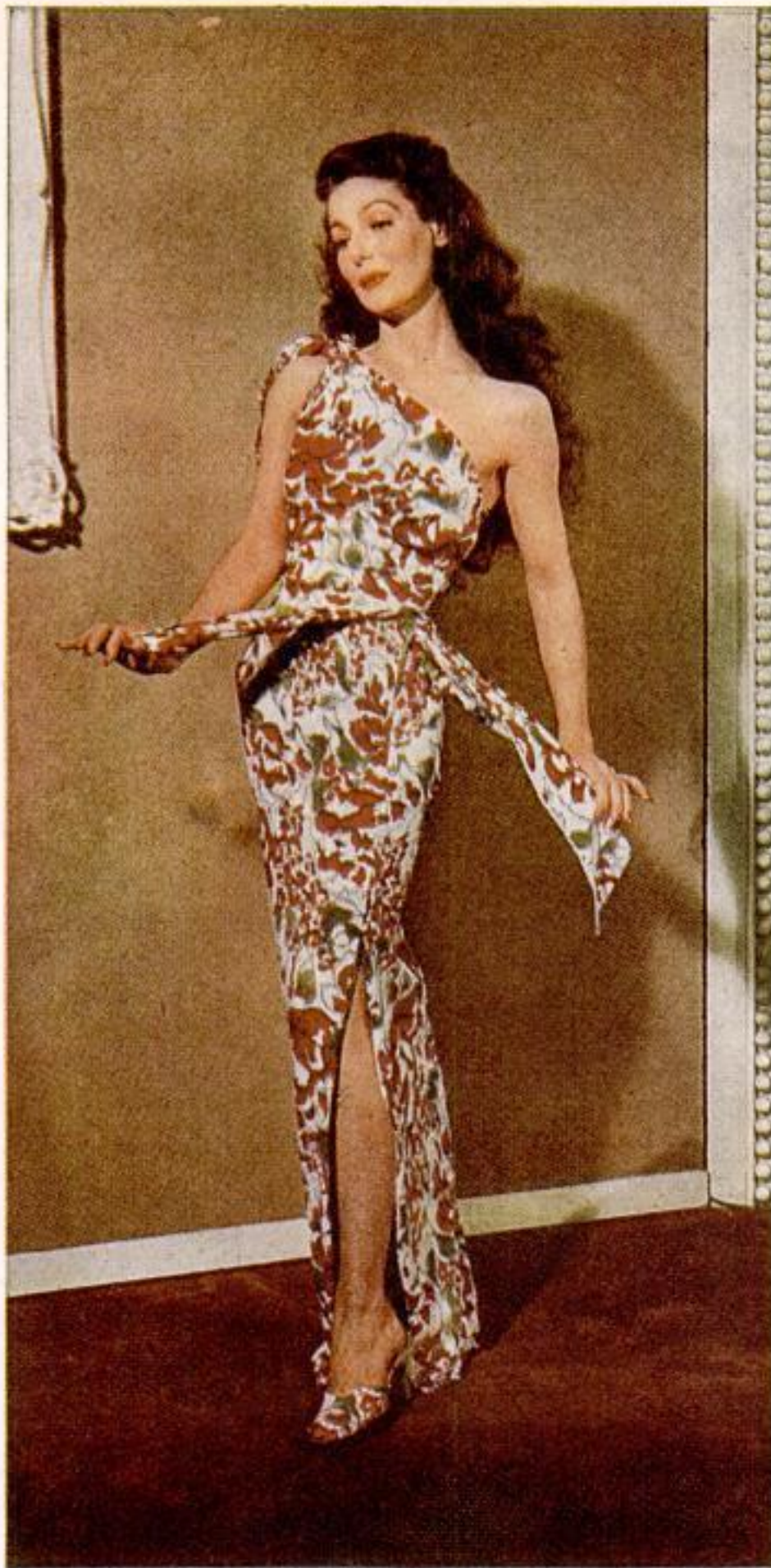


FOURTH YEAR BRINGS FIRST TOUCHES OF SOPHISTICATION





FIFTH YEAR dress is still more sophisticated, with a bare midriff and, on sleeves, the first use of black lace.



SIXTH YEAR introduces such provocative touches as exotic print pattern, a bare shoulder and a slit skirt.



SEVENTH YEAR design is too frilly. It has effect of making husband notice nightgown more than wife.



EIGHTH YEAR turns away completely from slinky, revealing nightgowns to one of simple, severe flannel.



NINTH YEAR brings the first pajamas, as matter-of-fact and unalluring as the pigtails Miss Young wears.



TENTH YEAR brings a sharp reversal. Black lace tries to recall more romantic days of early marriage.



The "Coming Thing" in Cars—Has Come!

Wonderful things have developed since you last bought an automobile—

Overnight plane service to London, Paris . . . revolutionary new airliners and streamliners . . . radar . . . television . . . and now—in the new, low-price Nash "600"—the "coming thing" in cars has come.

No doubt about it—not when you hear what a new Nash "600" does, and *offers!*

You get economy of 25 to 30 miles on a gallon at moderate highway speeds—500 to 600 miles on a tankful!

Instead of the usual interior dimensions you get a car so roomy that the front seat is divan size and the rear seat can be made into a soft, double bed at night, if you like.

Instead of the usual "heater," Nash offers the Weather-Eye Conditioned Air System—so that the whole car is draftless, dustless—and warm as your living room, in cold weather.

Instead of the usual ride, you get the silky smooth, silent ride that only individual coil springing on all four wheels can give you.

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You yourself must see the difference it makes—in the brilliant new performance, balance and driving ease that the new Nash offers. Your dealer is now displaying the new Nash "600"—and the new Ambassador, too. See him and discover what the car of the future is like!

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CONFIDENCE GAMES

More swindlers are bilking more U.S. suckers today than ever before, and veterans are among their prime victims

by CARLTON BROWN

ONE day in September 1940, Police Lieut. James Farrell and Detective Thomas Thornton stopped their car on the road between Westbury and Bethpage, Long Island. Three men with acetylene torches and crowbars were ripping up the tracks of a seldom-used spur of the Long Island Railroad, while a fourth stood over them directing operations. The foreman, the policemen found, was Michael Palermo, a young junk dealer. He told of having contracted with one John Weiss, "a representative of the Brooklyn Transit Company," to buy eight tons of trackage for \$75, and more if he wanted it at a higher rate. The junk dealer said he had insisted on making everything official by having his contract with Weiss witnessed by a notary public. Then Palermo had gone to work with his crew and in two days had torn up and sold 1,000 feet of rail, weighing 18 tons, at \$14 to \$16 a ton. At the rate they were going, it would not have taken them long to get to the eastern terminus of the line at Farmingdale, five miles away.

The cops called the railroad officials and learned that the sale had not been authorized. They went to the notary who had witnessed Palermo's contract and verified that part of his story, but no one answering to Weiss's description could be found. When the junk dealer came before the Nassau County grand jury, it

refused to indict him. The jurors, perhaps with a touch of tolerant fondness, recognized Palermo as one of a traditional line of suckers whose birth rate Barnum estimated at one per minute.

Currently the swindler's prime object for reconversion into sucker is the veteran with savings in overseas pay, loans under the GI Bill of Rights and a long-frustrated desire to spend and invest. Next on the swindler's list comes former war workers, housewives, farmers and wage earners who have been saving war bonds for postwar purchases. Unless they are careful, any one of them is likely to wind up holding an up-to-date version of the venerable gold brick.

The trappings of con games may be revised to suit the times, but the fundamental stimuli remain the same. Transactions involving the Brooklyn Bridge have become unpopular as a result of the publicity given them by generations of comedians, but the basic principle remains workable. Not long ago an Italian immigrant paid a large concession fee to operate the information booth in Grand Central Station as a fruit stand. Near Yonkers four ingenious promoters noticed a gash in the hillside where road construction had been suspended. They printed stock certificates, drove auto loads of prospects out from New York to survey the resting steam shovel and grading machinery,

convinced them that a rich vein of gold was being opened at the roadside and collected \$135,000 before the road gang returned to work. And again, a police captain in a western state found a farmer standing guard over an improvised toll gate at a bridge and collecting heavy fees from motorists.

"I bought this bridge for \$10,000 from the contractor who built it," the farmer told the officer. "I met him through a judge from New York. Fine fellows, both of them. I've been with them every day for two weeks. Here, I'll show you the papers."

"Never mind," said the captain. "I know how the story goes. First you met the judge, as if by chance. Then, by chance, you and he found a wallet filled with cash, big checks, contracts and business cards. You and the judge looked them all over, found out where the contractor was staying and returned the wallet to him. To show his gratitude, the contractor let you both buy in on the bridge. Now that they've got your cash, you'll find no trace of either of them." The pair had used the hoary "magic wallet" trick several times in other sections to prove that, with the Brooklyn stigma removed, a brisk trade could still be done in bridges.

The French call such confidence frauds as these "*le vol à l'américain*" — the American

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IN HOTEL ROOM swindlers lay out their phony cosmetic line and wait for a sucker to answer their local ad.



FEMALE "BAIT" turns on the charm for prospect who is impressed by her pseudo-sophisticated manners.



COSMETICS with a bogus "Countess Romanoff" label are given sales build-up by con man's leggy accomplice.



ON THE DOTTED LINE, sucker signs contract for "exclusive" sales rights in exchange for all his savings.

LET THE BUYER BEWARE!

One of the oldest confidence games is known as the "territorial rights" racket. It has taken a new lease on life since war's end, chiefly because many veterans want to set up their own businesses and are easy game for con men who offer "exclusive" territorial rights to phony products. In these pictures, LIFE re-enacts, with paid actors, how a swindler and his flashy female "bait" fool an unsuspecting veteran into believing he is getting "exclusive" sales rights to a "well-known" cosmetic line.



NEXT CUSTOMER comes in door as first sucker goes. "Countess Romanoff" cosmetics are never delivered.

"But he doesn't have to be big and strong, he's got a #1 Face!"



That's a Barbasol Face, of course—a #1 Face that *feels* as good as it *looks* to the lady in your life. Try Barbasol and discover for yourself the superior qualities that have made this famous brand America's #1 shave for speed and ease, soothing comfort and mighty smooth results. Tubes and jars. Large size, 25¢. Giant size, 50¢. Family sizes, 75¢ and \$1.



theft—a name merited by the susceptibility of our suckers. An Italian university graduate, Carlo M. Flumiani, reflected one facet of an international attitude when he said that he had come to America because he had heard it was "full of peasants who think they can write." He set up a "vanity" publishing concern called Fortuny's Publishers, Inc., and advertised for aspiring authors to submit manuscripts. All received enthusiastically worded form letters of acceptance, prepared by a staff of high-school graduates headed by an "editor in chief" who earned \$12.60 a week. Though Flumiani represented that his firm would pay most of the cost of publication and give books large distribution, actually the author paid four or five times the cost. Before he was fined \$2,500 and sent to jail for 18 months on a mail-fraud charge in December 1941, Flumiani took \$250,000 from the writing peasantry.

Our native swindlers define a sucker as "a fish that will bite on a bare hook." They call him chump, Mr. Wright, Mr. Goodman, wise guy, easy mark, come-on, flyflat, John, juggins or pigeon. They figure that for every Mr. Goodman who thinks he can write, there are several Mr. Wrights who feel equipped to get the best of business transactions. Many of the traditional, high-score con games depend on the axiom, "You can't cheat an honest man," and are aimed at chumps who are eager to accept an "inside deal" on a get-rich-quick proposition. These greedy pigeons, in the view of old-line gypsters, are simply begging to be plucked.

The majority of today's victims, however, are not out for easy money. They want jobs and small businesses, homes and scarce commodities. Consequently today's swindlers bait their hooks with these essentials. Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan reports that in December 1945 more than five times as many fraudulent schemes were barred from the mails as in any month in the preceding two years. In 1944 the public was mulcted of an estimated \$3½ billion, a sum that compares favorably, from the swindler's point of view, with the total of \$400,000,000 in Liberty bonds alone which the public paid out in fraudulent deals following World War I.

Swindling from across the border

SECURITIES swindles, which took the largest bite out of World War I savings, have since been legislated almost out of existence in the U.S., but many of our slick operators have set up bucket shops in Canada and are doing a thriving U.S. business. Trading on the boom in reputable Canadian mining shares, "dynamiters" circularize U.S. sucker lists with tip sheets urging investors to "get in on the ground floor." They tell, in strikingly unanimous terms, of a grizzled and untutored prospector who rushed into the promoter's office, spewed several bagful of gold quartz on his desk and asked him to finance the mining of his claims. The recipient of the letter is offered the privilege of becoming an assistant financier on temptingly low terms. Gold-mining stocks offered by the Canadian bucketeers are of the "blue-sky" type, often selling at less than \$1 a share. By January 1946, U.S. agencies had ordered 272 Ontario mining-stock operators to "cease and desist" offering stock not registered with securities authorities here. A new Ontario securities act is expected to curb the dynamiters. Meanwhile, they are blasting an estimated \$1,000,000 a week out of the U.S.

During the war and postwar years there has been a great boom in swindles aimed at people looking for jobs and small businesses. Better Business Bureaus receive a disheartening stream of complaints from job hunters who have bought stock in a company as a condition of their employment, only to have the company fold and leave the sucker without his job or his investment.

In San Francisco a retired businessman called on the B. B. B. to inquire about a proposition his ex-soldier son was about to accept. For an investment of \$10,000 in a concern, the veteran was promised a return of \$20,000 within one year, and meanwhile was to receive 5% of the gross revenue for his services as manager. The deal was forestalled when the promoter's record as a confidence man of international disrepute was found in the bureau's files. In the same city an ailing veteran of World War I answered a classified ad and was impressed by the piety of the businessman who offered him a share in his manufacturing concern. "Christ bade us love and trust our fellowman," said the industrialist. "There is a great need for religion in these trying times." After putting up \$2,000, of which \$1,500 was borrowed from relatives, the veteran discovered that the machinery was beyond repair and the income nil.

Hundreds of similar swindles are recorded in B. B. B. files the country over. It has come to be common practice for the proprietor of a small business faced with bankruptcy to unload it at a

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vastly inflated price through various ruses. The first principle is to make business appear brisk by employing "shills" to act as customers while the prospective buyer is examining the property. In one instance a veteran bought a small restaurant which appeared to be doing a thriving business, and learned later that the "customers" he had seen had been lured in for the occasion by the promise of free meals. Another bought a shoe store and found that most of the boxes lining the walls were empty. He had signed an agreement giving him the "stock on hand" and the "good will" of the store for his money. The stock had been grossly misrepresented by the sellers, but only verbally, and there was nothing in the agreement that specified its amount or value. The good will was such that the buyer required legal aid to meet the demands of creditors of the former owners, who disappeared along with the phony customers and the profits they had shown in their fictitious account books. They had committed no offense sufficient to drag them back across a state line to face trial. In innumerable cases of the kind, prosecution is difficult and recovery of the investment virtually impossible.

Hand in hand with employment and business swindles go those involving homes. With 1,500,000 married veterans currently in desperate need of living quarters, sharpers have rigged up many traps to catch the unhoused. In Cleveland last November, complaints to the B.B.B. resulted in the arrest of Thomas D. Harris, who for several months had been accepting deposits from prospective home owners in return for his promises and excuses. For a down payment of \$100 to \$1,500, he would promise to complete a well-appointed six-room house "90 days after starting date," which date remained conveniently unspecified. His excuses for delay in building included bad weather, priority trouble and unfair competition, and his original customers were induced to put up more cash to expedite construction, to a total of some \$30,000. Investigators found that none of the projected homes had progressed beyond the discussion stage. Harris, who had a previous police record, was sentenced to a minimum stretch of nine years.

Servicemen are used as sucker bait

THROUGHOUT the war numerous petty frauds extracted a large total take from the families of servicemen. Fly-by-night "clipping bureaus" offered to send news items about servicemen to their families for 25¢ to \$1, and clipped them with items the recipients had already seen in their home-town papers. One of the most common gyps was warned against last year by the police chief of Roselle, N.J. when the town was visited by a scourge of phony C.O.D. deliveries. Packages, presumably containing something ordered by a member of the family in service, were presented at his home collect. One family received a 90¢ pair of service bars in a \$6 C.O.D. parcel. Another got a small Bible, worth less than \$1, for \$5. Again, when news reports told of a soldier whose Bible saved his life by deflecting a bullet, gypsters rushed in with a "bullet-proof" Bible and sold thousands before authorities stopped them. They did most of their business by mail, which is known to the con profession as "shooting 'em on the wing."

Another wartime opportunist who will not soon be forgotten is a former merchant seaman, Francis Gross of Utica, N.Y. In June 1945, Gross pleaded guilty in federal court to having obtained money from relatives of sailors lost at sea by writing that he had their personal effects, which he would forward for a payment. In sentencing him to a year and a day, Judge Henry Goddard said, "This is the meanest, lowest thing that a man could do." It was not, however, at all original in its essentials. One of the oldest of swindles, known to the gyp trade as "selling stiffs," is conducted by hustlers who scan out-of-town newspapers for death notices and address express-collect packages to the deceased, containing a cheap fountain pen or watch, a good-luck charm or the ever-popular swindler's item, a Bible. When the "stiff order" arrives, members of the family accept it as something the addressee wrote for before his death.

The notorious Red Adams, known to Scotland Yard as James A. Currie, was a "stiff" salesman in the higher brackets. He studied London obituary notices and when a rich man died, addressed a letter to him as though he were still alive and engaged in confidential matters of finance with the writer. He had just arrived from the West, he would say, and could report that "our mines in Colorado last season produced £40,000 in free-milling gold. One half the proceeds are yours. We have deferred our claims to give you an opportunity to come out, or send some trustworthy person to look after your interests and record the claim staked out for you." A

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ALL EVENTS IN U.S. "SHAVATHON"!

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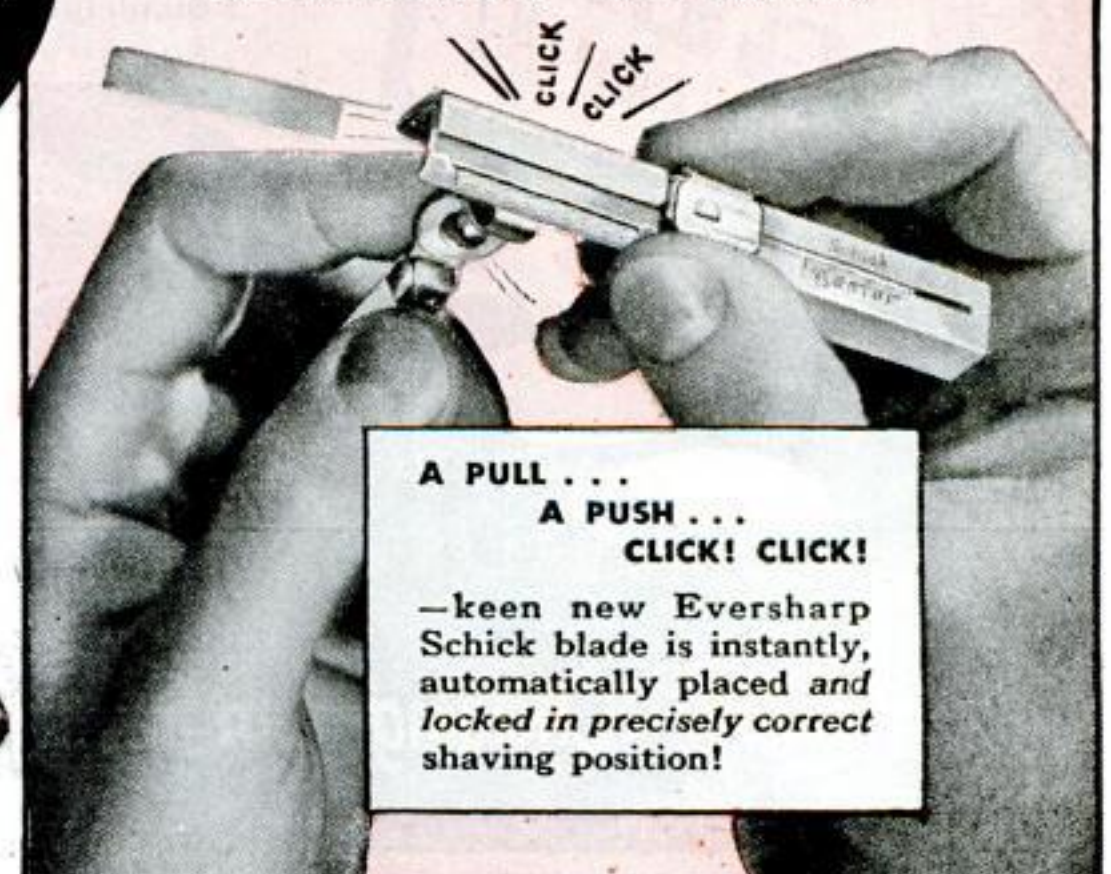
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"Can you
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"Are you a better American because your forebears came here sooner than somebody else? Does 'God Bless America' refer just to *your* neighborhood, race and religion? Do you think 'freedom' means you do as you like, and others do as *you* like, too?"

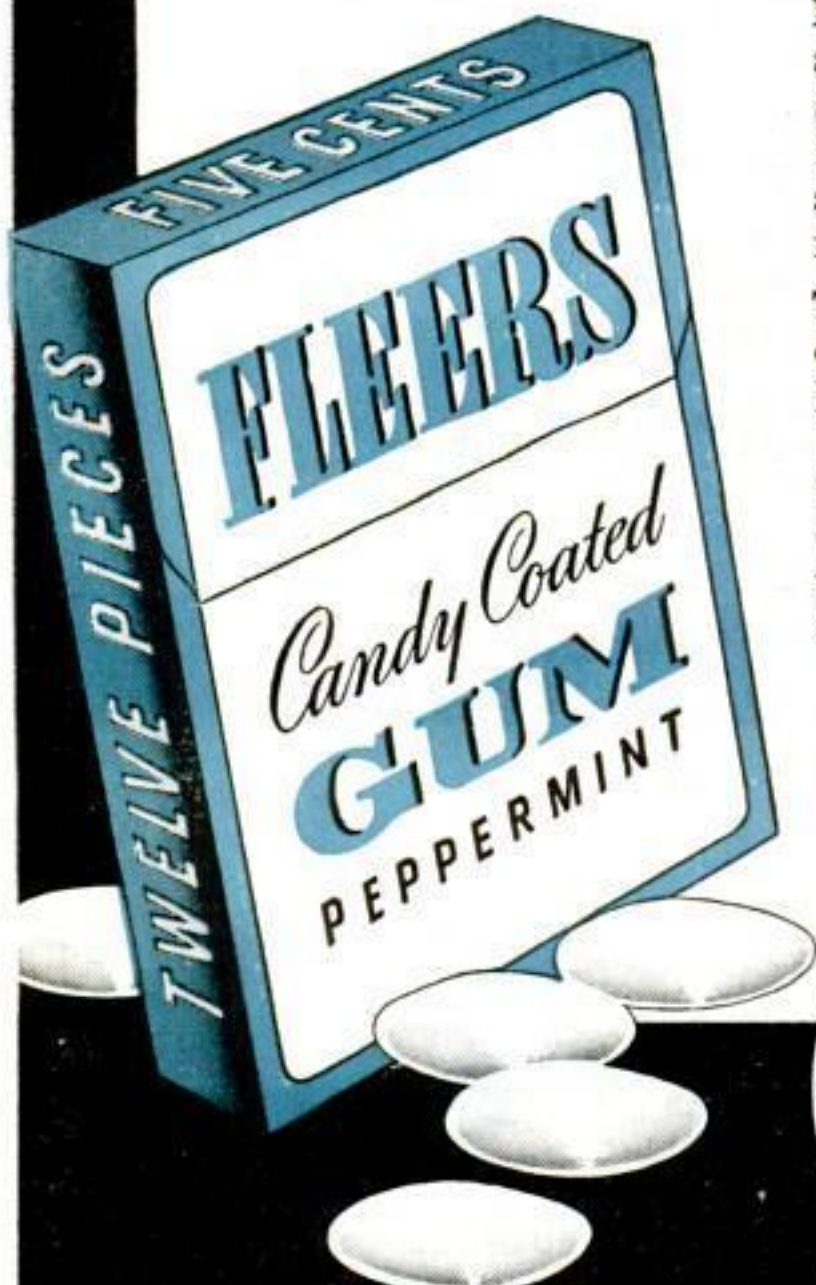
"You don't need the Ol' Professor to tell you the answer to all these questions is a great big NO! A good American respects the rights of other Americans... and of other nations, too."



Kay's little quiz is one of a series of messages presented by Fleer's in the interest of better understanding among families, friends and nations.

There's a trend to candy-coated gum these days, and Fleer's is top o' the trend. It's so fresh and attractive, so refreshing and delicious. Twelve bite-size fleerlets in the handiest package. Try flavorful Fleer's today!

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CONFIDENCE GAMES CONTINUED

surprising number of relatives of the deceased, obeying Adams' injunction to keep the matter secret, sent an emissary to New York. The emissary was met by a man playing the role of a Westerner, who explained that the writer of the letter, an old friend of the deceased, had been called to Colorado. Pending his return, the British visitor was lavishly entertained and impressed with the importance of his American hosts. Then a telegram arrived: "SYNDICATE GOT WIND OF OUR DISCOVERY. ENDEAVORING TO BUY ADJOINING LAND. OUR OPTION EXPIRES IN THREE DAYS. SHORT 5,000 POUNDS. SEND SAME TO COMPLETE PURCHASE." Often the Englishmen was high-pressured into raising the money and allowing the Westerner to go over the hill with it—often enough so that Red Adams was said to have made a score of £200,000 on the game in his lifetime.

Two New York psychiatrists, Dr. Sylvan Keiser and Dr. Walter Bromberg, have made a five-year study of expert swindlers. The basic psychological principle in confidence games, says the doctors' report, is to impair the critical faculties of the victim by stimulating his fantasies and offering an outlet for wishes he knows to be illicit, under the influence of the swindler's "fascinating personality." The swindlers studied by Drs. Keiser and Bromberg were found to be well-groomed men of the world, superficially cultured and often affecting an air of social eminence. Many went in for "stylish" clothes, had foppish manners and gave an intimation of effeminacy. Others wore the garb of the sporting world. All were found to be intelligent, suave, glib and companionable. The swindlers commonly showed deviation in their sexual life, suffered from reduced libido, were unmarried by choice and led nomadic lives. Probing more deeply, the psychiatrists found their subjects to have "moral perversion without intellectual disturbance," and to be "fantastic liars without an inner ethical sense."

The counterfeit con game

THE swindler often deliberately builds up the illusion that he is the sought-after party to the transaction. He is aware that the victim may have an intuitive perception of the con man's basic inferiority and makes use of this awareness in a form of psychological approach akin to seduction. The best way to take someone, the con man figures, is to let your victim have the impression that he is taking you. Master bunko artists are brilliant actors who sometimes also utilize principles of hypnotism. In the "switch game," based on a device which supposedly manufactures undetectable counterfeit bills, but actually is a simple bit of magical machinery which takes in one genuine bill and turns out two or three, the con man bemuses his subject by making him watch a monotonous operation for hours on end.

The "money-making machine," as venerable a dodge as the original gold brick itself, continues to exact its tribute from the optimistic. In January 1945, Joseph Esposito of New York was booked as a fugitive from Rhode Island justice. Joseph Tutalo, a grocer of Providence, accused Esposito of posing as a doctor and offering "out of friendship" to triple his investment by inserting bills and blank paper into a pressing device and producing \$100 bills. Tutalo said he had handed over \$15,000 to Esposito and a second man and had received in return a package containing a single \$100 bill bound on top of a packet of plain paper. A usual step in the switch game is to allow the victim to take a couple of the first "counterfeits" miraculously produced by the machine to a bank, where they are accepted without question, since they are genuine notes which the con man risks in the process of preparing his pigeon for the plucking.

The consummate artist of gypcraft will spend weeks or months in preparation for a single swindle which may or may not come off. He spends freely to give himself an air of easy wealth and to entertain a prospect until the chump feels indebted to him. His investment of time, ingenuity and money fails often enough to suggest that in the long run his genuine talent and energy might win greater rewards in legitimate enterprise.

One of the most famous of U.S. bunko artists is William Elmer Mead, "the Christian Kid." Mead was born in 1873, orphaned at 2 and adopted by a farmer and his wife who gave him a strict moral upbringing which he was never able to put entirely behind him. He never swore, drank or chewed tobacco, he frequently went to church of his own volition and he donated enough to a national religious organization to be a life member. Between swindles, he took hunting and fishing trips for months at a time.

A typical operation of Mead's proceeded on the classic pattern, with timely alterations. When World War I brought a big demand for horses, Mead sent scouts through the ranch country, offering

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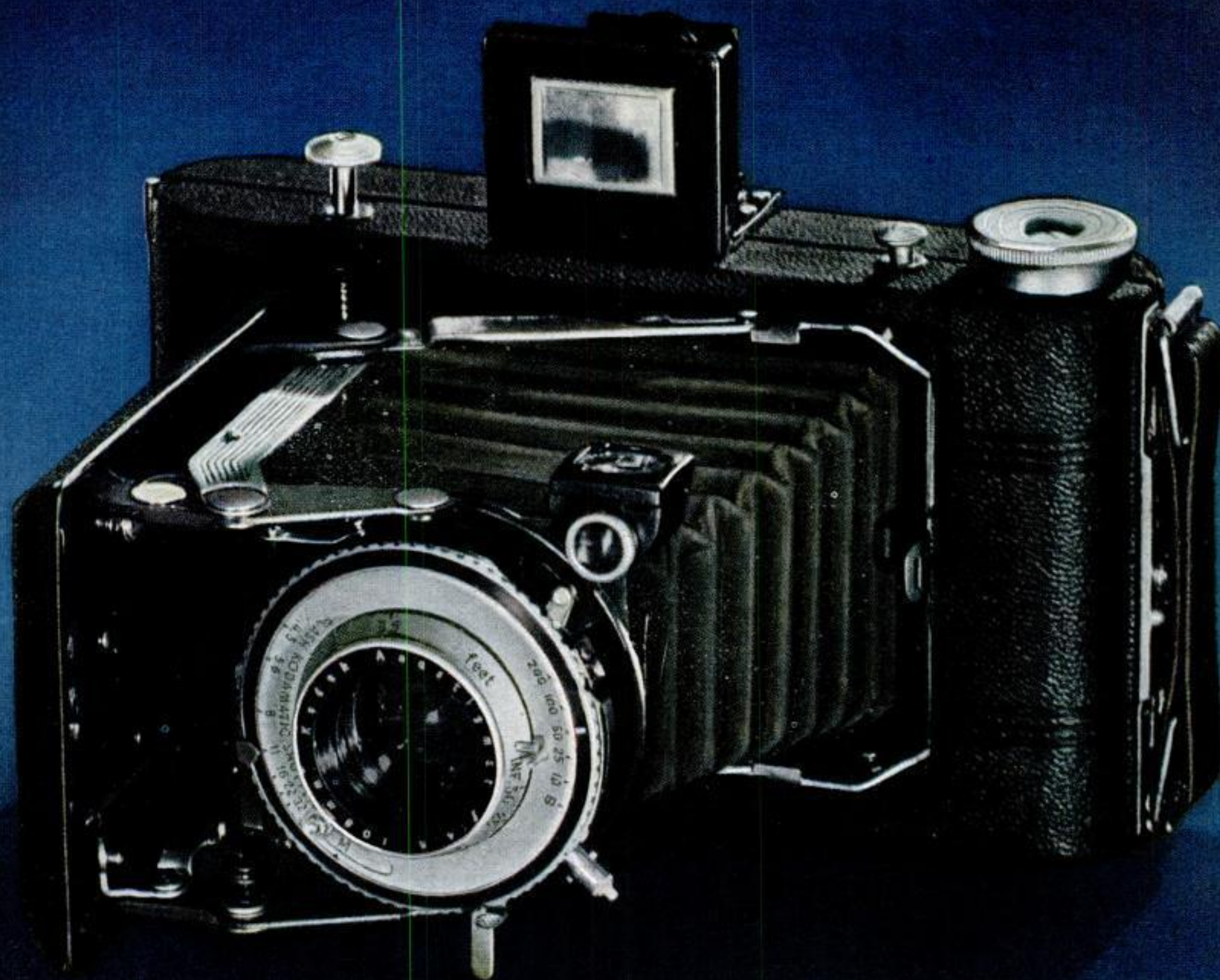
higher rates than other buyers. They never bought a horse, but they frequently found a wealthy widow, took her to lunch in a Cheyenne hotel and sat her down "by accident" on Elmer's magic wallet. Together they found it crammed with \$100 bills, checks for huge amounts and letters from the Treasurer of the U.S. beginning, "My dear Professor." Then Mead came on the scene in the character of a distraught professorial type in search of a valuable lost object.

"Is this your wallet?" asked one of the mock horse buyers. Indeed it was, the professor replied, and how could he ever repay them? Mead developed his expensive answer in a series of luncheons and dinners with the widow and his accomplices. They had seen the letters in his wallet from the Treasurer, he assumed, and he must reward them not only for finding the wallet but for the discretion he trusted they would preserve about the matter hinted at in the letters. He would show his "confidence" in them, a device which, in one form or another, disarms the sucker and gives con games their name. Well, the President and the Treasurer of the U.S., he explained, had nothing to live on but their salaries, and the cost of maintaining their position in Washington was high. Everyone knew, he went on, that orders from the President and Treasurer were obeyed without question by all departments of the government. When the two executives needed extra money, the professor said, they simply ordered the U.S. Printing Office to run off a batch of \$100 bills for them. They could not afford to risk suspicion by spending crisp new money all the time, so they had called upon their old and trusted friend, the professor, to help them out. It was his mission to select worthy citizens to buy the new bills at 50¢ on the dollar, thus spreading them around the country and providing the President and Treasurer with mellowed currency for their personal use. The way the professor put it, it would be nothing less than patriotic for the widow and the "horse buyers" each to accept \$100,000 worth of the bills at a special discount. The widow got hers in Denver, which for many years was known as the "big store," the best of a string of "good confidence towns" in which swindlers could buy political protection. She brought \$35,000 in good, shop-worn money and handed it over to the professor for a package purported to contain \$100,000 in new C-notes. When she opened the package in the privacy the professor insisted upon, she found it filled with neat "boodle" packages of newspaper. By then Mead was off on another prolonged fishing trip.



"THE CHRISTIAN KID" was the nickname of William Mead, who went to church all during his 40 years of swindling. He was arrested in Omaha in 1936.

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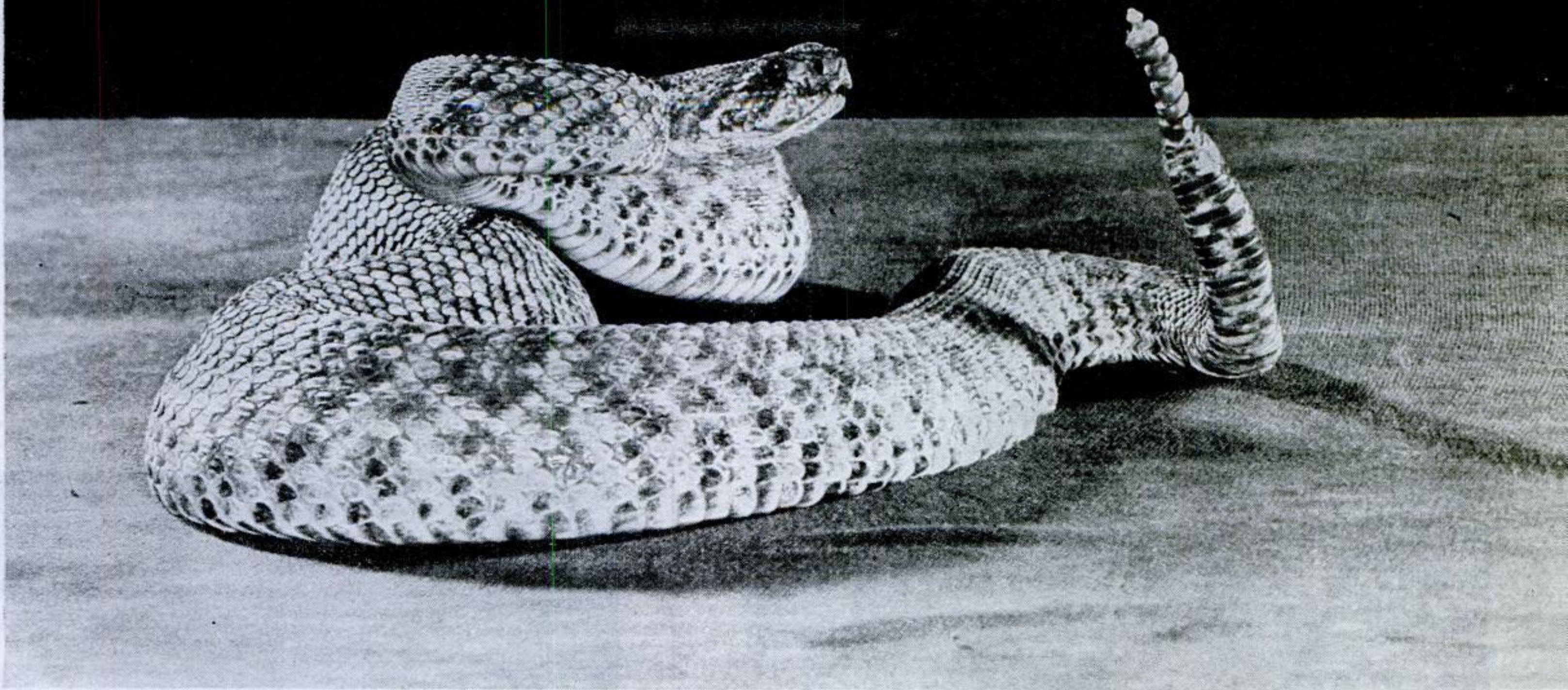
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COILED TO STRIKE, WITH RATTLES BUZZING SHRILLY, SNAKE IS READY TO LASH OUT AT APPROACHING TARGET. EXACT MOMENT OF STRIKE IS UNPREDICTABLE

HOW A RATTLESNAKE STRIKES

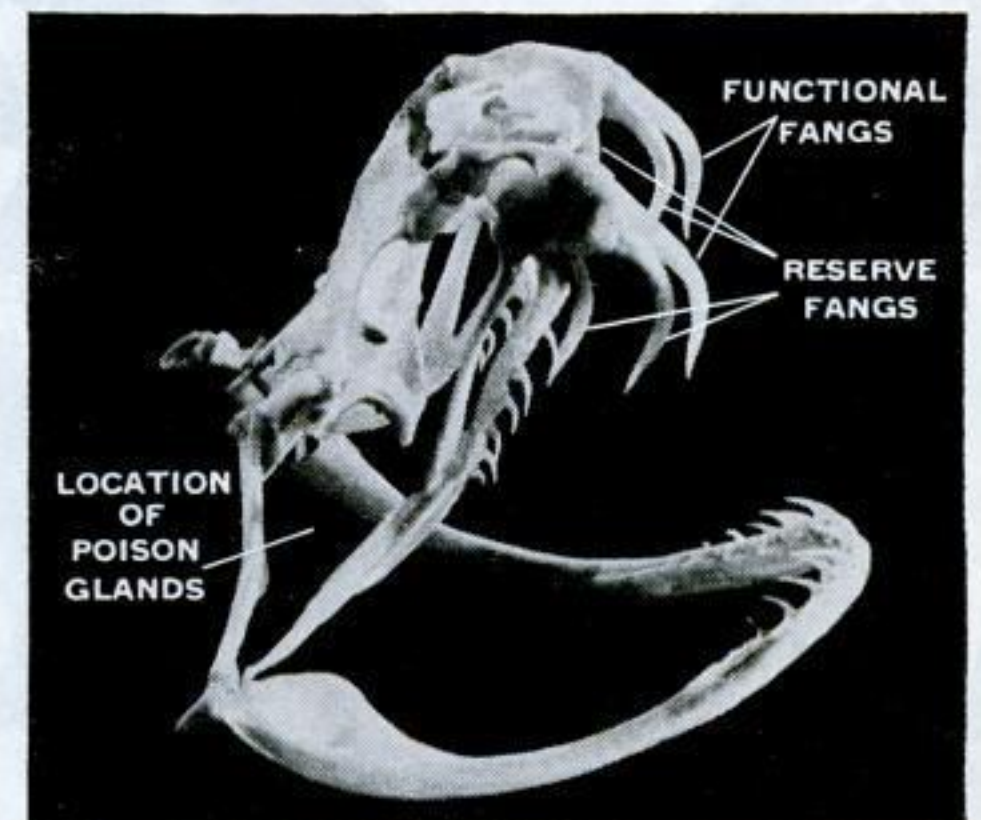
High-speed photographs by Gjon Mili show Texas diamondback in action

A rattlesnake's strike is too fast for the eye to see. To show exactly how the snake strikes, Gjon Mili took these speed-light pictures with the expert assistance of C. F. Kauffeld of New York's Staten Island Zoo.

The rattler shown here is a Texas diamondback, one of the most dangerous of a dangerous family. Striking from its favorite coiled position to a distance up to half its length, the snake opens its

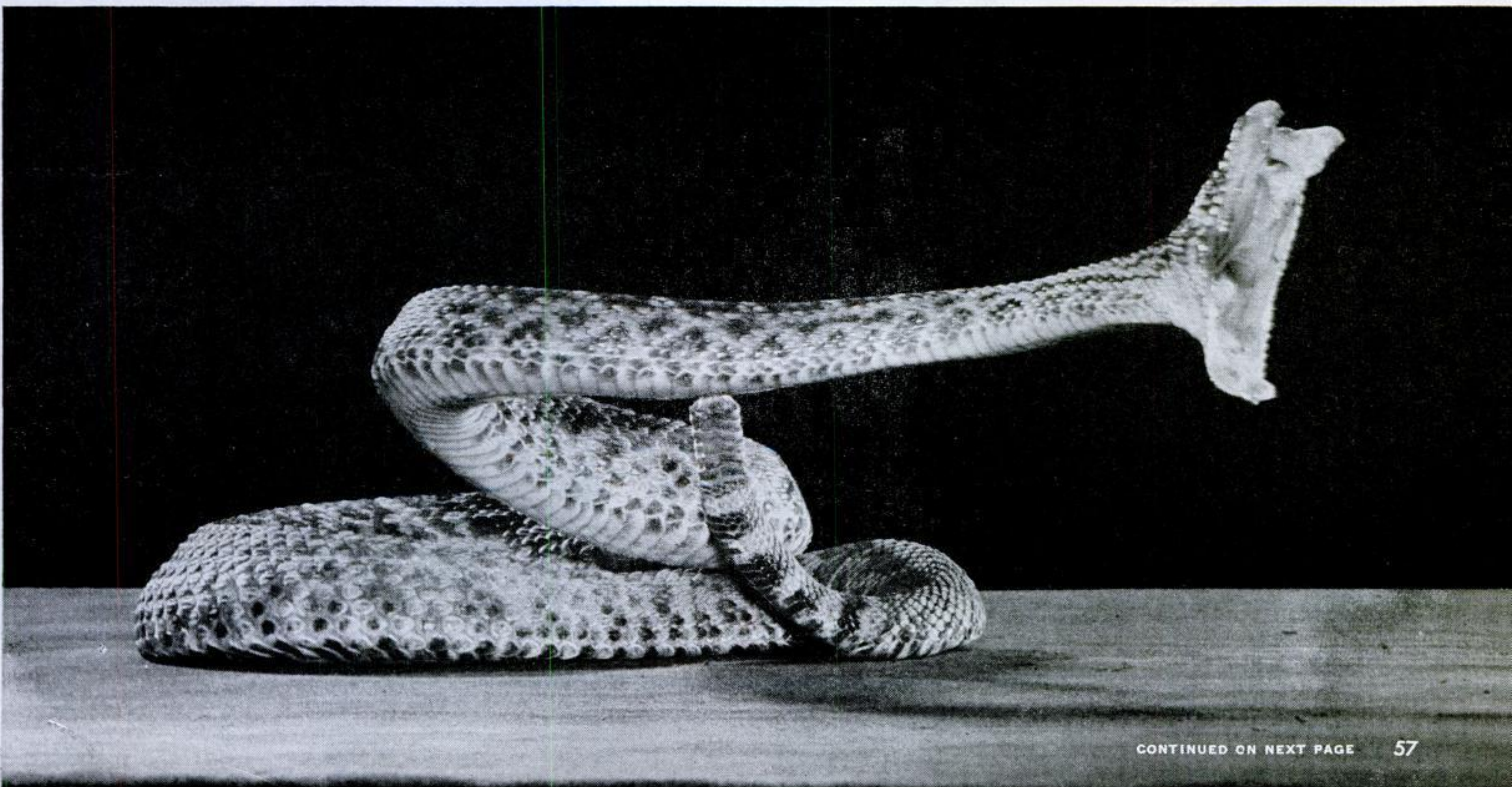
mouth so far that forward vision is cut off. The hollow fangs, curving out and down, are driven into the victim; the venom is injected through them as through a pair of hypodermic needles.

Rattlesnakes belong to the pit-viper family, so named because of small pits between eyes and nostrils so sensitive to heat that snakes equipped with them can locate and strike a warm animal or object even in complete darkness (*see next page*).



RATTLER'S SKULL shows the reserve fangs which move up and replace functional fangs every few weeks.

STRIKING WITH LIGHTNING SPEED AT THE OFFENDING OBJECT, RATTLER OPENS JAWS WIDE, FORMING AN ALMOST STRAIGHT LINE. HOODED FANGS POINT FORWARD



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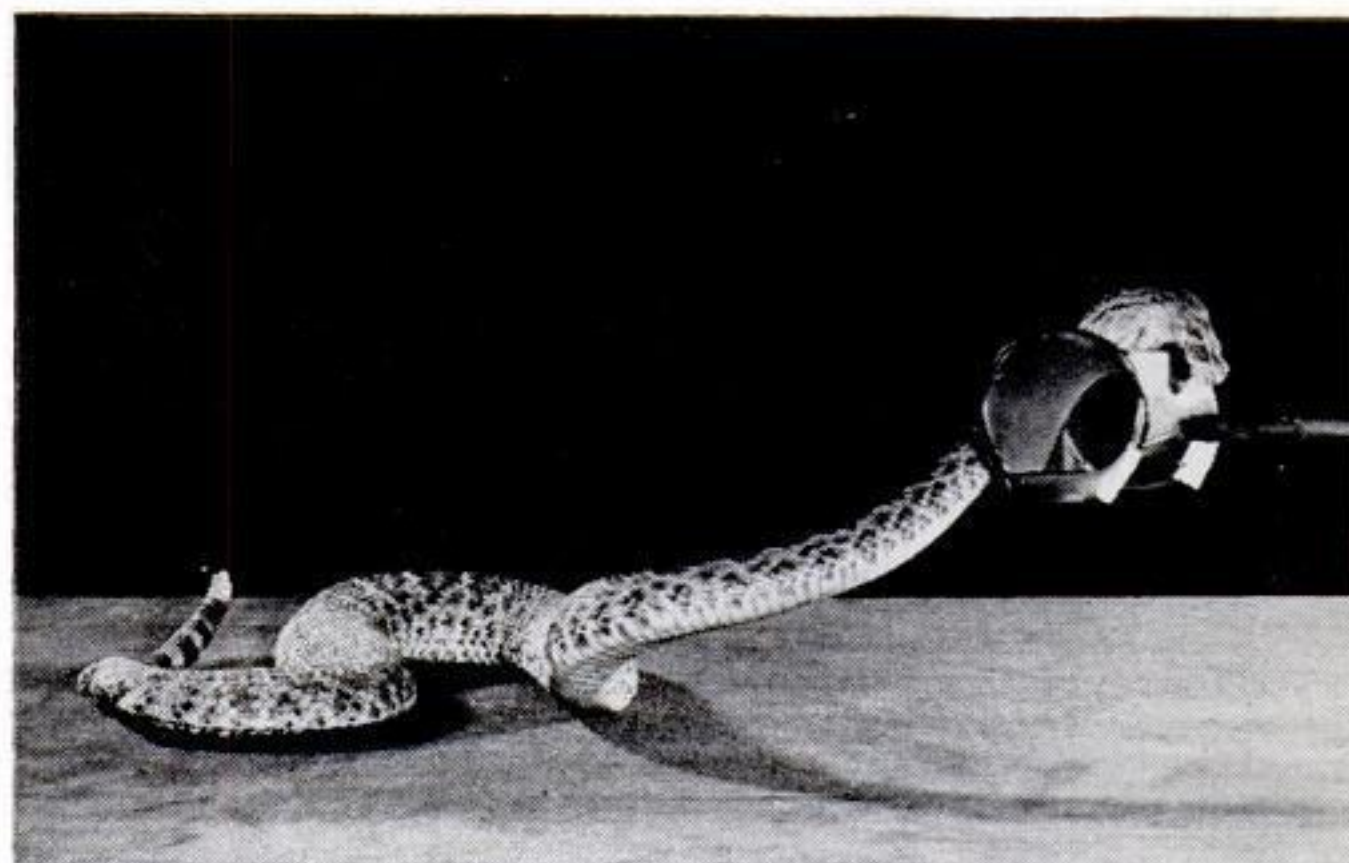


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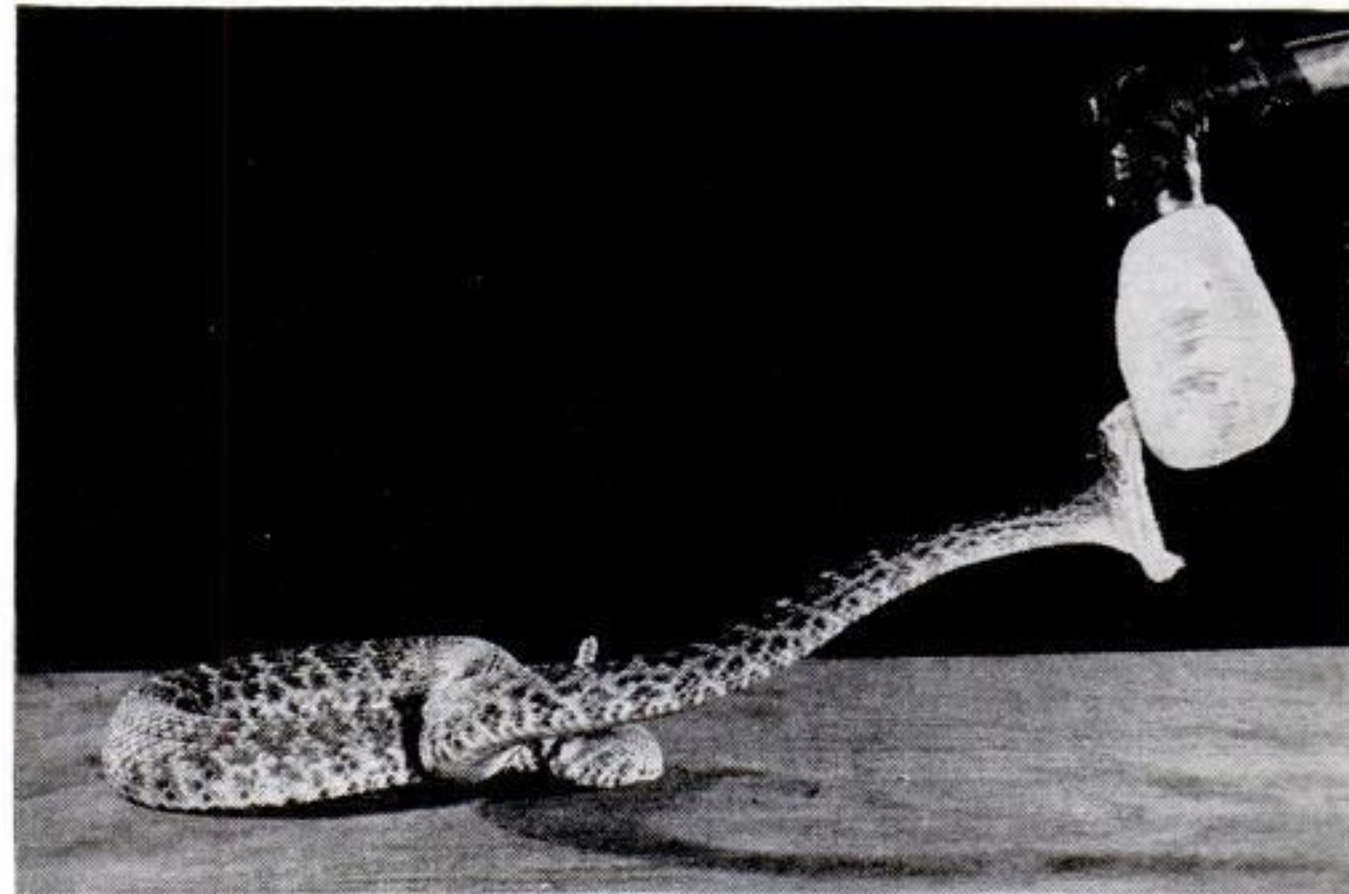
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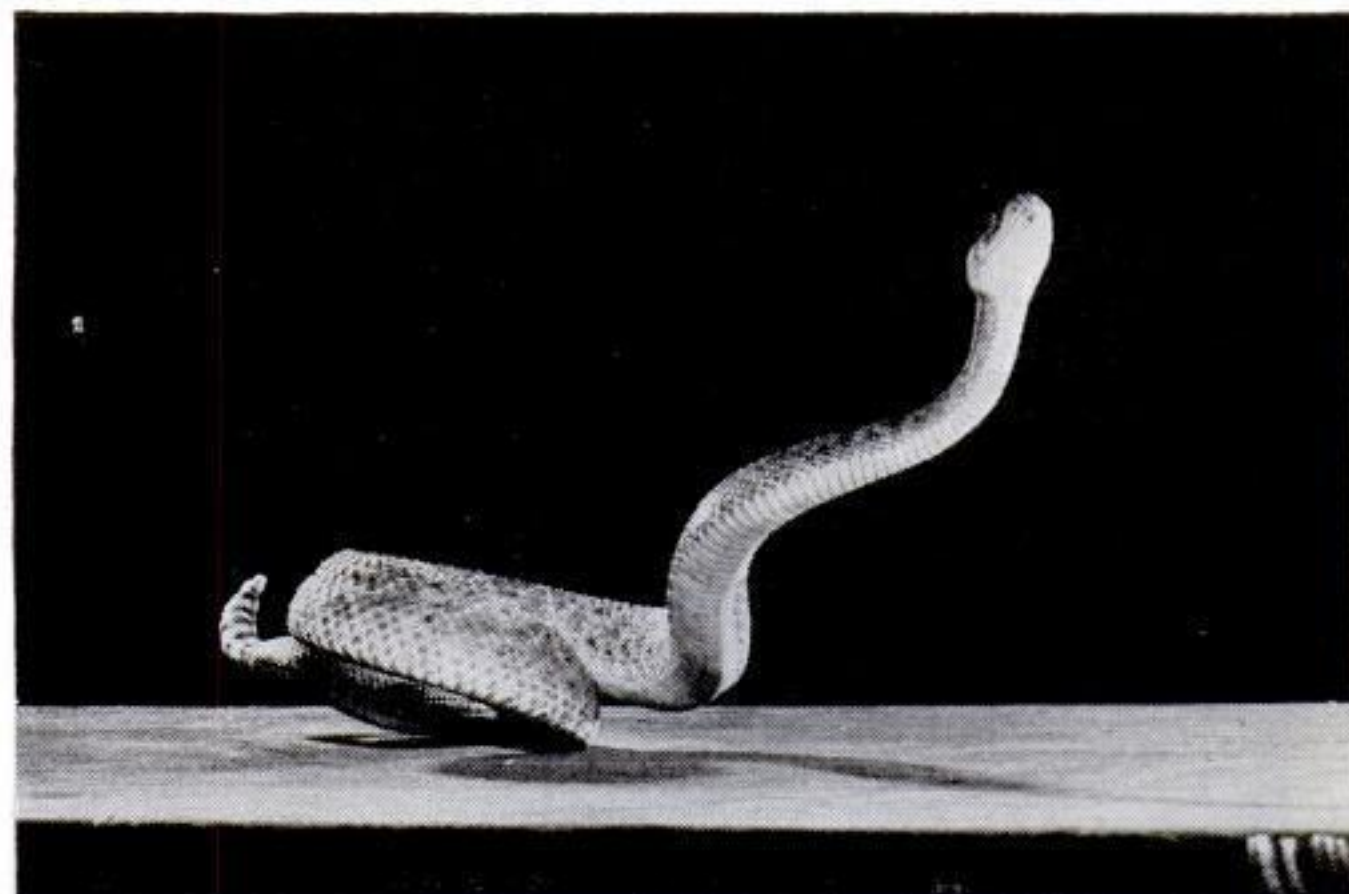
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SNAKE HITS TARGET. The tooth-lined lower jaw catches on rubber covering of frame. Forward speed carries the head over, buries fangs in far side.



HEATED TARGET draws accurate strike. Rattlesnake can get good bearing on warm-blooded animals by means of heat-sensitive pits back of nostrils.



RATTLER MISSES, closes jaws. Caught almost at the top of a high strike, most of its body is off the ground. The snake cannot jump forward in striking.



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AS "THE DRUNK," Peter Lind Hayes tells a woman at bar that he saw *Lost Weekend*. "It made me swear off," he says. "I'll never see another motion picture as long as I live!" When woman calls him the "drunkiest bum I have ever seen," he retorts, "Well, you're the ugliest woman I've ever seen. But tomorrow I'll be sober!" Another bar-

fly accuses the drunk of flirting with his wife. "I was not flirting!" cries drunk. "I have a wife of my own. I want you to meet her!" Failing to see her beside him, he looks down at floor, says, "Roll over, Reba, so the man can see your face!" Waiting for his drink which never comes because the bartender is purposely stalling, buck-toothed

drunk hums, "I'll never smile again," suddenly shouts, "Buddy, move over with that pipe! What're you smokin' anyway . . . old wrestling trunks?" Growing ill, he moans, "Smoke! Smoke! Smoke! Doesn't anybody inhale in here?" Bartender tries to give him Bromo-Seltzer but drunk indignantly refuses: "I can't stand the noise!"



PUNCHY CALLAHAN tells story of first bout with Murderin' Murk.



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PUNCHY'S EXIT after sad story is wistful, reminiscent of Chaplin.

PETER LIND HAYES

Newest comedy star wrings laughs from sadness

A few weeks ago, a young man with a crew haircut, large eyes and an apologetic air wandered out on the floor of the Copacabana nightclub in New York and began his impersonations. Five minutes later nightclub comedy had reached its highest level in years. Only five months out of the Army, Peter Lind Hayes had suddenly become the biggest hit in New York since Danny Kaye. Hayes, who toured with a four-line role in *Winged Victory* and later visited Pacific battlefronts with a variety show, brought with him fresh material that he wrote overseas. He also brought an artistry that comes only with experience. This is not surprising. At 31, Hayes has had 15 years of barnstorming, mostly with his mother, Grace Hayes, a veteran vaudeville singer and dancer. Not only did young Hayes appear in vaudeville with his mother, but he also was introduced to nightclub entertaining in a nightclub she owned in Hollywood. There, from actual observation of such noxious but amusing characters as *The Drunk* (photo at left), Hayes began to store up the material he now is drawing on for his comedy routines. Hayes's comedy, like Charlie Chaplin's, is sadly and shrewdly human. When he does *The Drunk*, a composite picture of all the drunks he has ever seen, or *Punchy Callahan* (above), which is based on a punch-befuddled fighter whom he and his Army buddies once met in Central Park, his audiences roar with a laughter that often reaches the brink of tears.



HAYES IS SHY, HANDSOME AND 31

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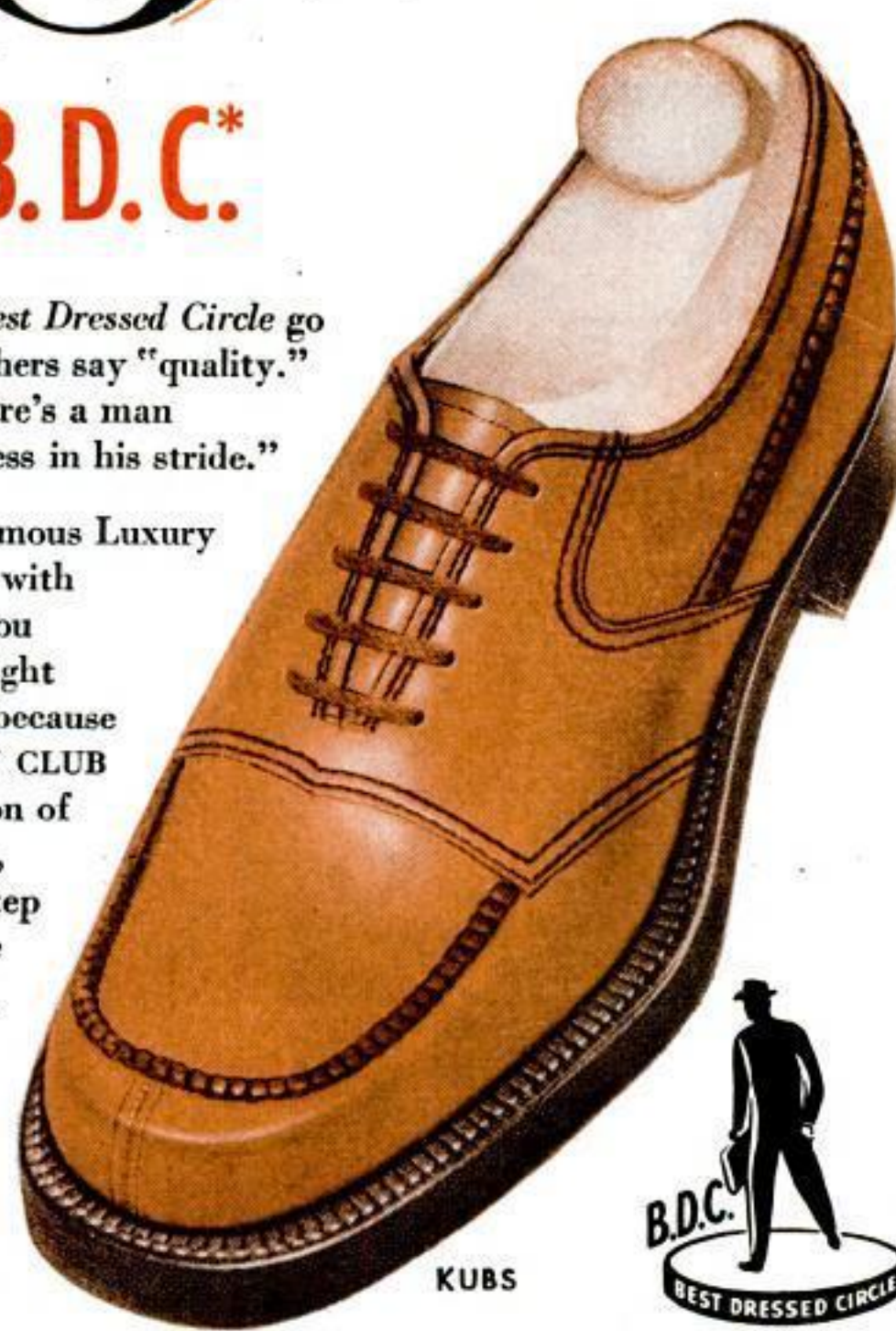
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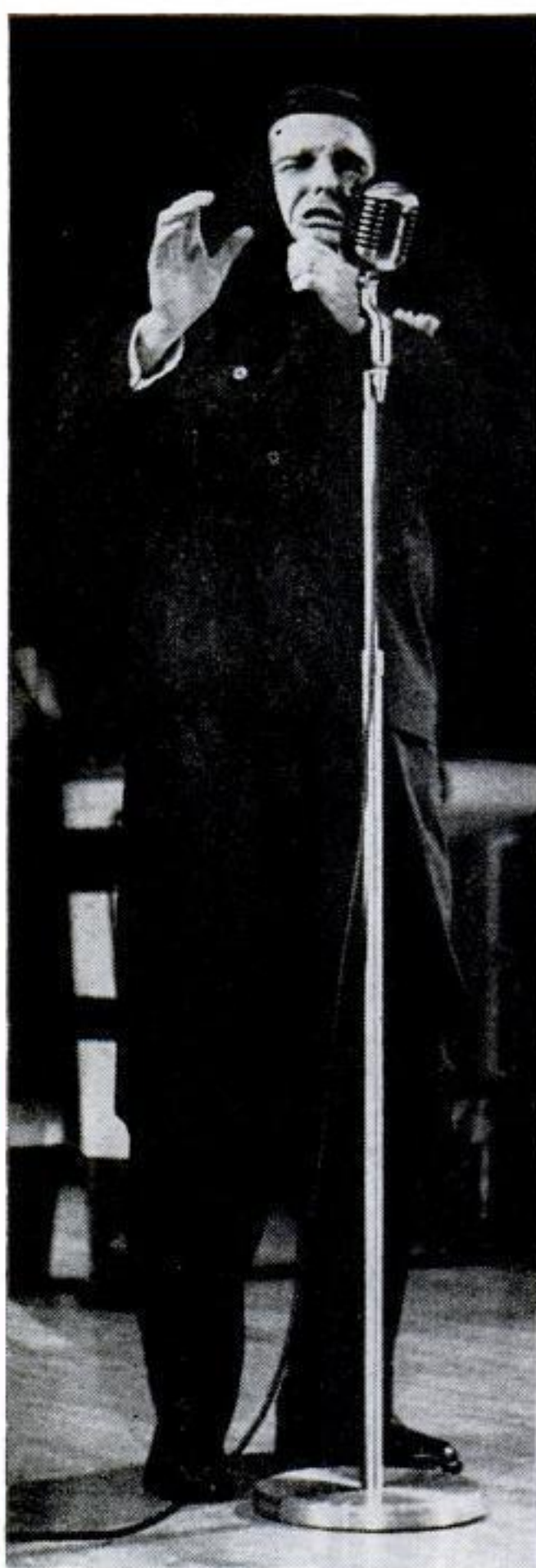
*Barbara Stanwyck
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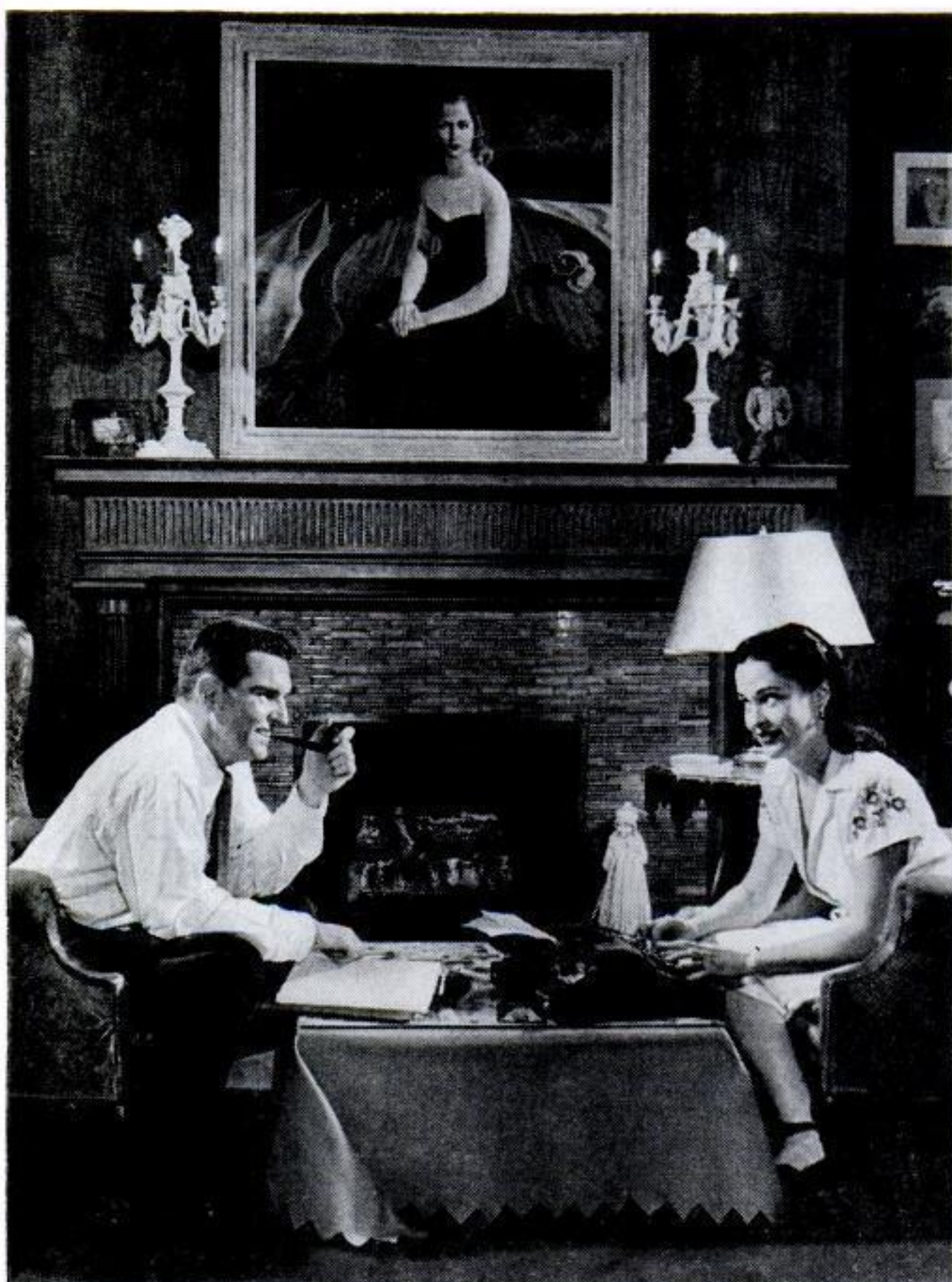
Hayes CONTINUED



AS SASHA SASHA in Russian cafe of Westbrook Peglereski, Hayes sobs as he sings satire on *Red Army Song*.



AS BARRYMORE, Hayes babbles quotations from *Hamlet*, punctuates by belching, elegantly picks his teeth.



AT HOME in apartment on New York's West Side, Hayes works out comedy routines with his wife, Mary Healy, who was the singing star of the musical, *Around the World*. They were married in 1940. The portrait is of Mrs. Hayes.

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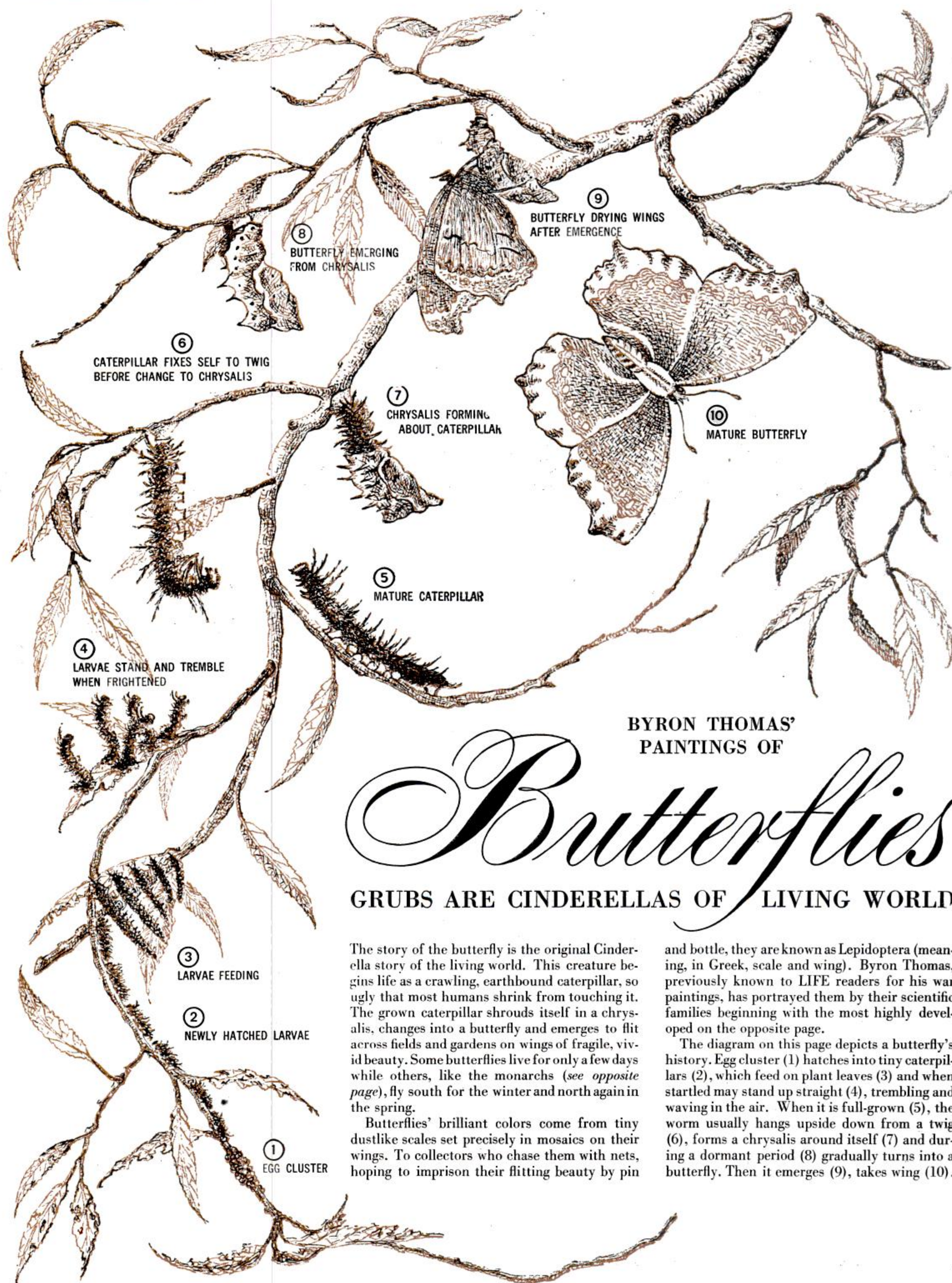


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Butterflies

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The story of the butterfly is the original Cinderella story of the living world. This creature begins life as a crawling, earthbound caterpillar, so ugly that most humans shrink from touching it. The grown caterpillar shrouds itself in a chrysalis, changes into a butterfly and emerges to flit across fields and gardens on wings of fragile, vivid beauty. Some butterflies live for only a few days while others, like the monarchs (*see opposite page*), fly south for the winter and north again in the spring.

Butterflies' brilliant colors come from tiny dustlike scales set precisely in mosaics on their wings. To collectors who chase them with nets, hoping to imprison their flitting beauty by pin

and bottle, they are known as Lepidoptera (meaning, in Greek, scale and wing). Byron Thomas, previously known to LIFE readers for his war paintings, has portrayed them by their scientific families beginning with the most highly developed on the opposite page.

The diagram on this page depicts a butterfly's history. Egg cluster (1) hatches into tiny caterpillars (2), which feed on plant leaves (3) and when startled may stand up straight (4), trembling and waving in the air. When it is full-grown (5), the worm usually hangs upside down from a twig (6), forms a chrysalis around itself (7) and during a dormant period (8) gradually turns into a butterfly. Then it emerges (9), takes wing (10).



Brush-footed Butterflies

Three of the butterflies shown above, *Danaus plexippus* (monarch), *Danaus berenice* (queen) and *Heliconius charithonius* (zebra butterfly), taste so bitter from the rank weeds which nourished them as caterpillars that no bird will voluntarily eat them. The monarch is a great migrator

and often appears in huge swarms in late summer, clinging by the thousands to trees and bushes. *Argynnis diana* and *Argynnis idalia*, or silverspots, both belong to a group called fritillaries, very numerous in America and characterized by lovely silver spots on the undersides of their wings.





Libythea bachmanii

Thecla favonius

Cercyonis alope

Chrysophanus thoë

Eumaeus atala

Apodemia mormo

Thecla halesus

Lycaena polyphemus

Lycaena sonorensis

Lycaena pseudargiolus

Libythea bachmanii

Snouts, Nymphs and Others

The snouts, of whom *Libythea bachmanii* is a good example, differ from other butterflies in having long, beaklike mouth parts. Wood nymphs such as *Cercyonis alope* are found flitting quietly in shady places. *Thecla favonius* and *Thecla halesus* are hairstreaks, small with bright spots of

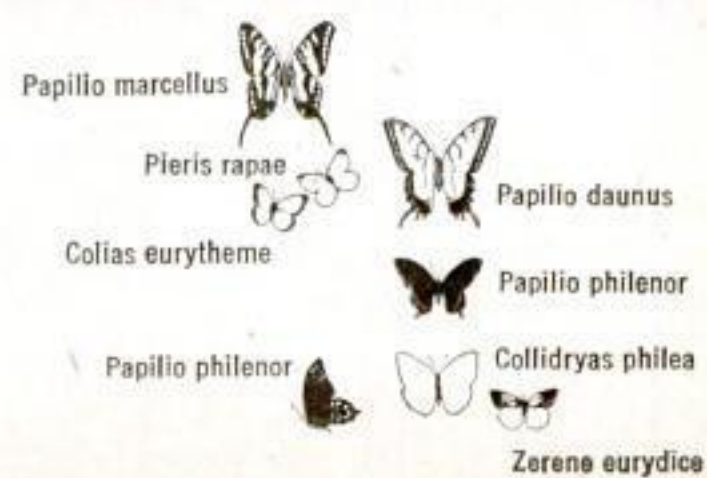
color on them. The *Lycaenae* are also small, usually with bluish wings. *Lycaena pseudargiolus* is one of the first northern butterflies seen in spring. *Chrysophanus thoë*, or bronze copper, is abundant in marshes throughout the U.S. *Apodemia mormo* is rare, *Eumaeus atala* even more so.



Swallowtails and Sulphurs

The yellow-and-black butterfly pinned to the top of the collector's stretching board above is a swallowtail, *Papilio daunus*, one of the largest and most beautiful butterflies in the U.S. *Papilio marcellus* and *Papilio philenor* are also swallowtails. *Pieris rapae*, or cabbage butterfly,

is seen in farming country in enormous numbers; together with the less abundant *Colias eurytheme*, or alfalfa butterfly, and *Coliadryas philea*, or great sulphur. *Zerene eurydice*, or California dog face, is a Western variety whose wing pattern looks vaguely like a dog's head in profile.





Eudamus albofasciatus

Astraptes fulgerator

Phocides batabano

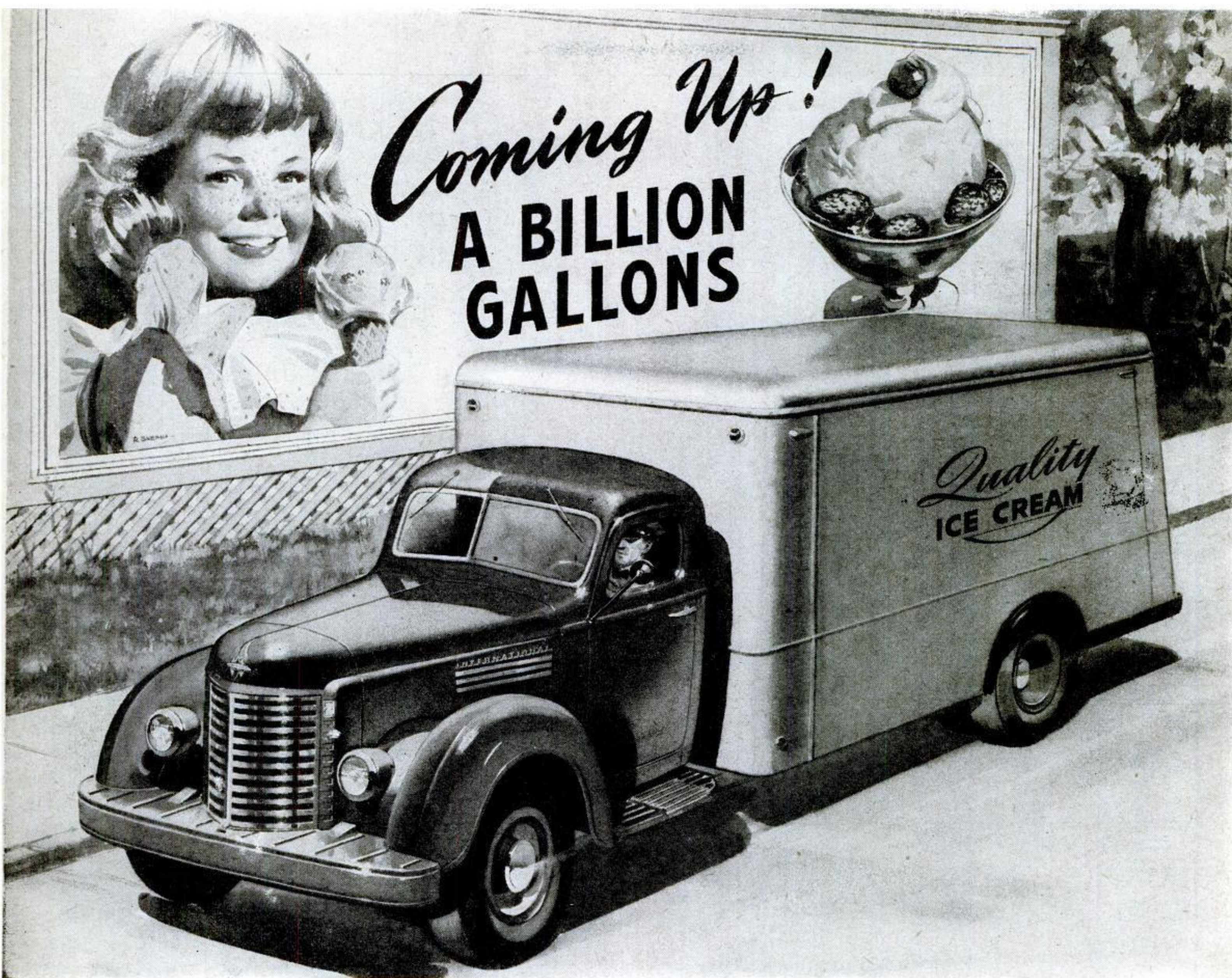
Calpodus ethlius

Megathymus yuccae

Skippers

These butterflies have heavy, muscular bodies and a darting flight which gives them the name of skippers. They are the most primitive in structure of all the butterflies shown in the article. They are found largely in hot climates, although specimens closely related to *Eudamus al-*

bofasciatus (shown above) occasionally reach New York. *Calpodus ethlius* is one of the commonest butterflies in the South. *Phocides batabano* and *Astraptes fulgerator* are subtropical species which occasionally wander to Florida. *Megathymus yuccae* lives where the yucca plant thrives.



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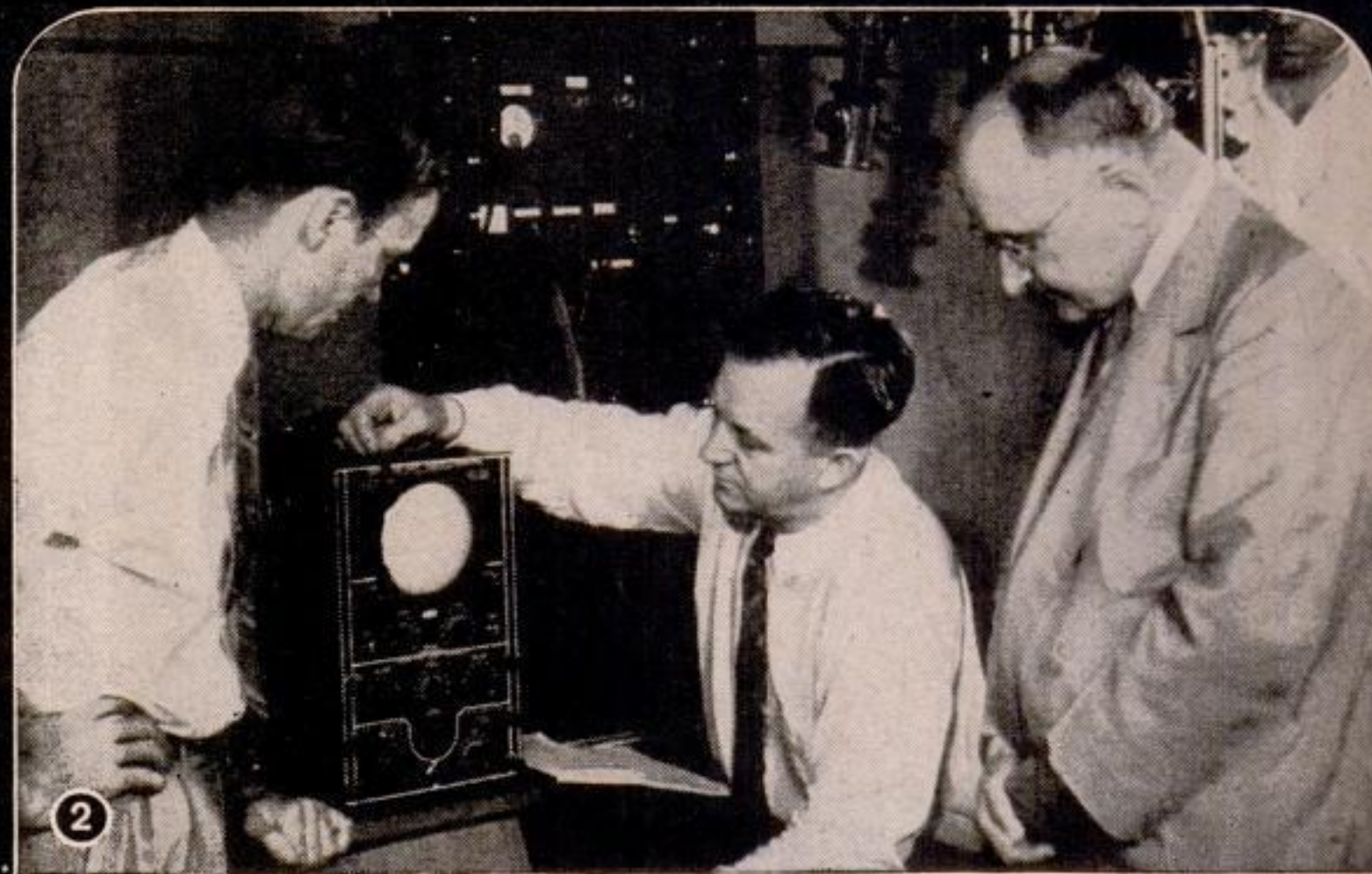
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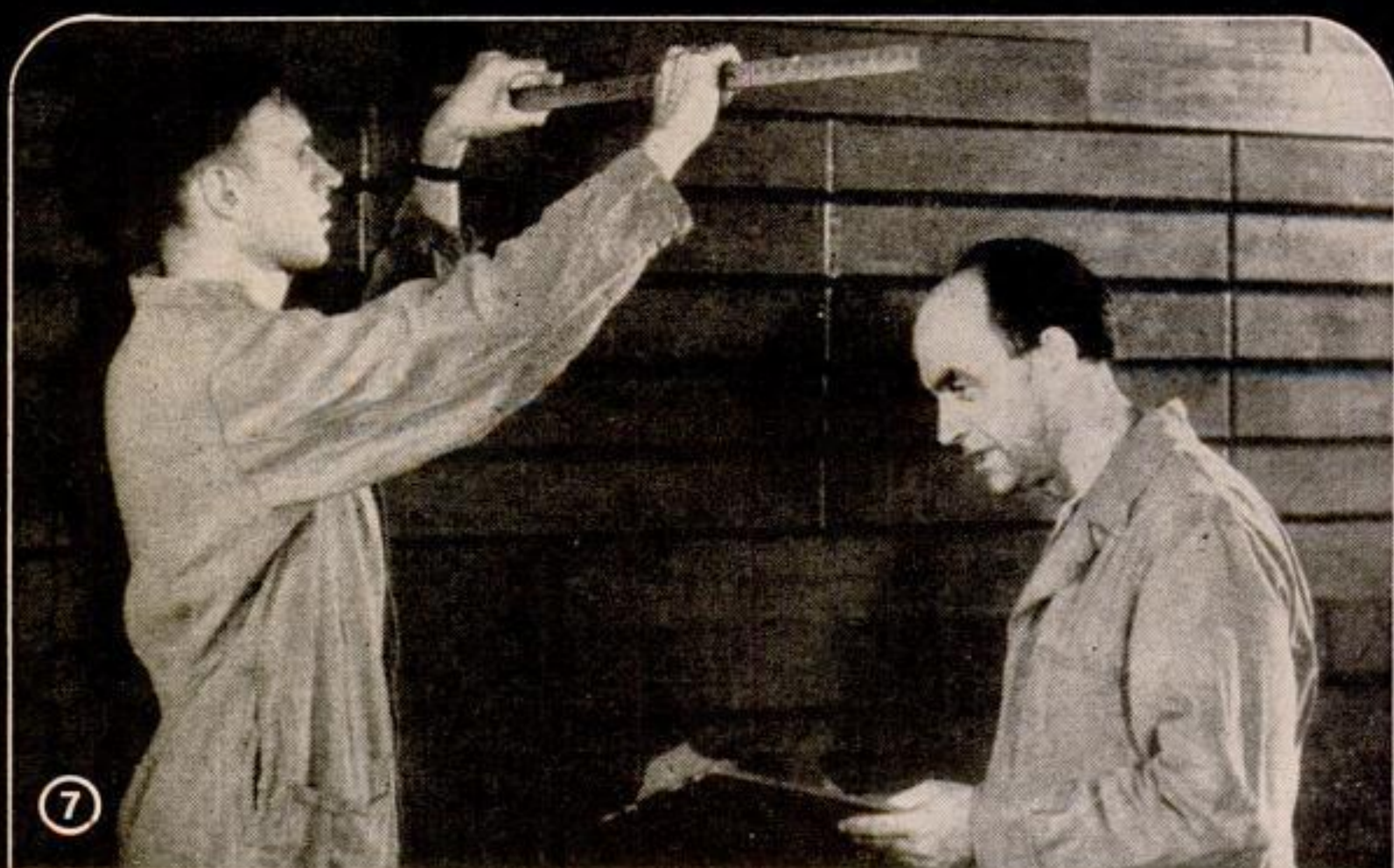
IN LABORATORY Dr. Merle Tuve of the Carnegie Institution of Washington (center) verifies the report, learns atom splitting releases vast amounts of energy.



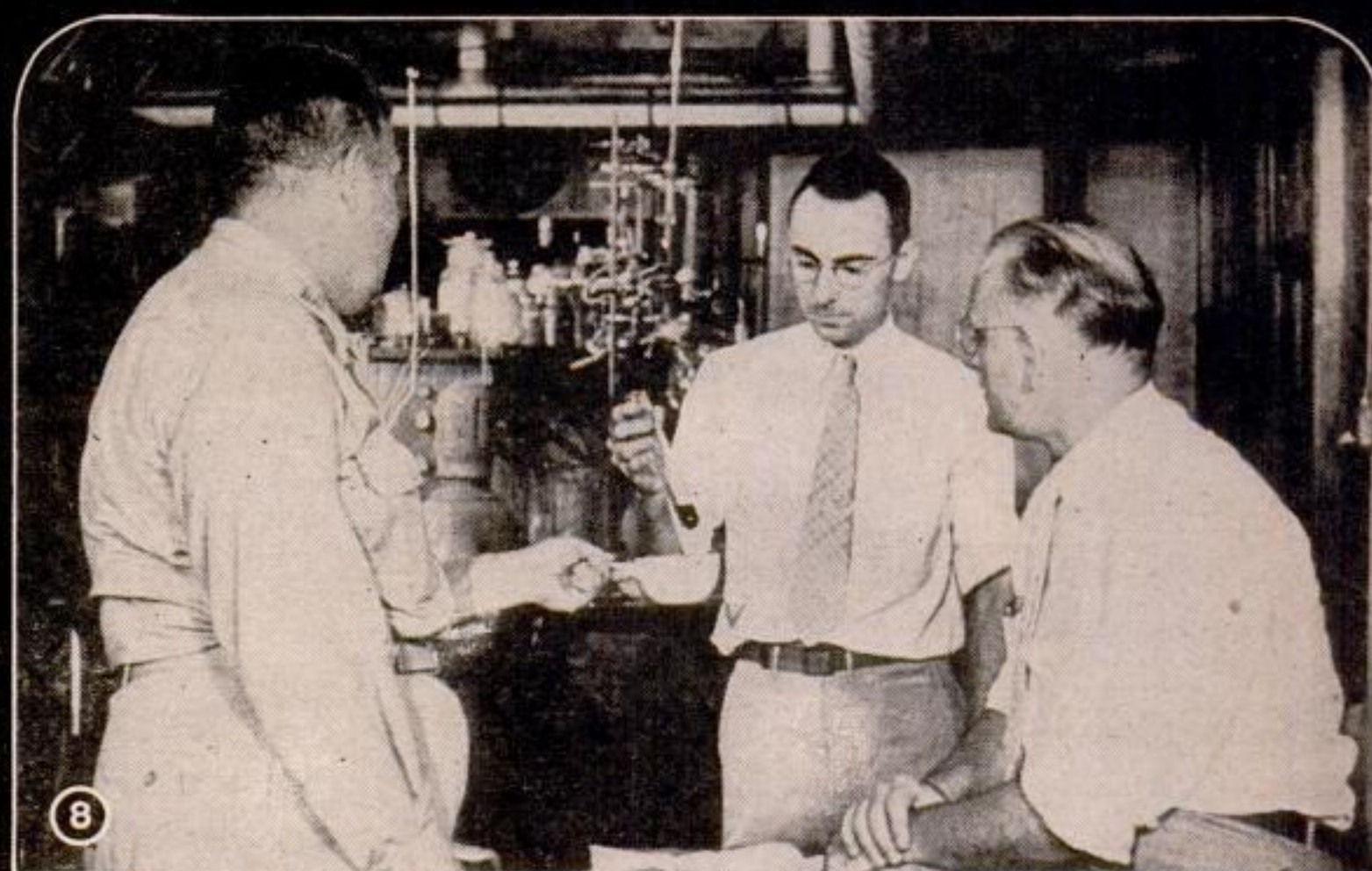
DR. E. O. LAWRENCE, among many American scientists, experiments at University of California in hope neutral U.S. will not be unprepared for atomic war.



DR. LISE MEITNER interpreted the original discovery of fission. Prewar atom program was under a government committee with a \$6,000 appropriation.



DR. ENRICO FERMI (right), Italian refugee working at the University of Chicago, proves a controlled chain reaction may be maintained by splitting atoms of uranium.



MAJOR GENERAL LESLIE GROVES (left) examines first sample of plutonium, asks technician to hold a cup under it since it cost \$50,000,000 to produce.

MOVIE OF THE WEEK:

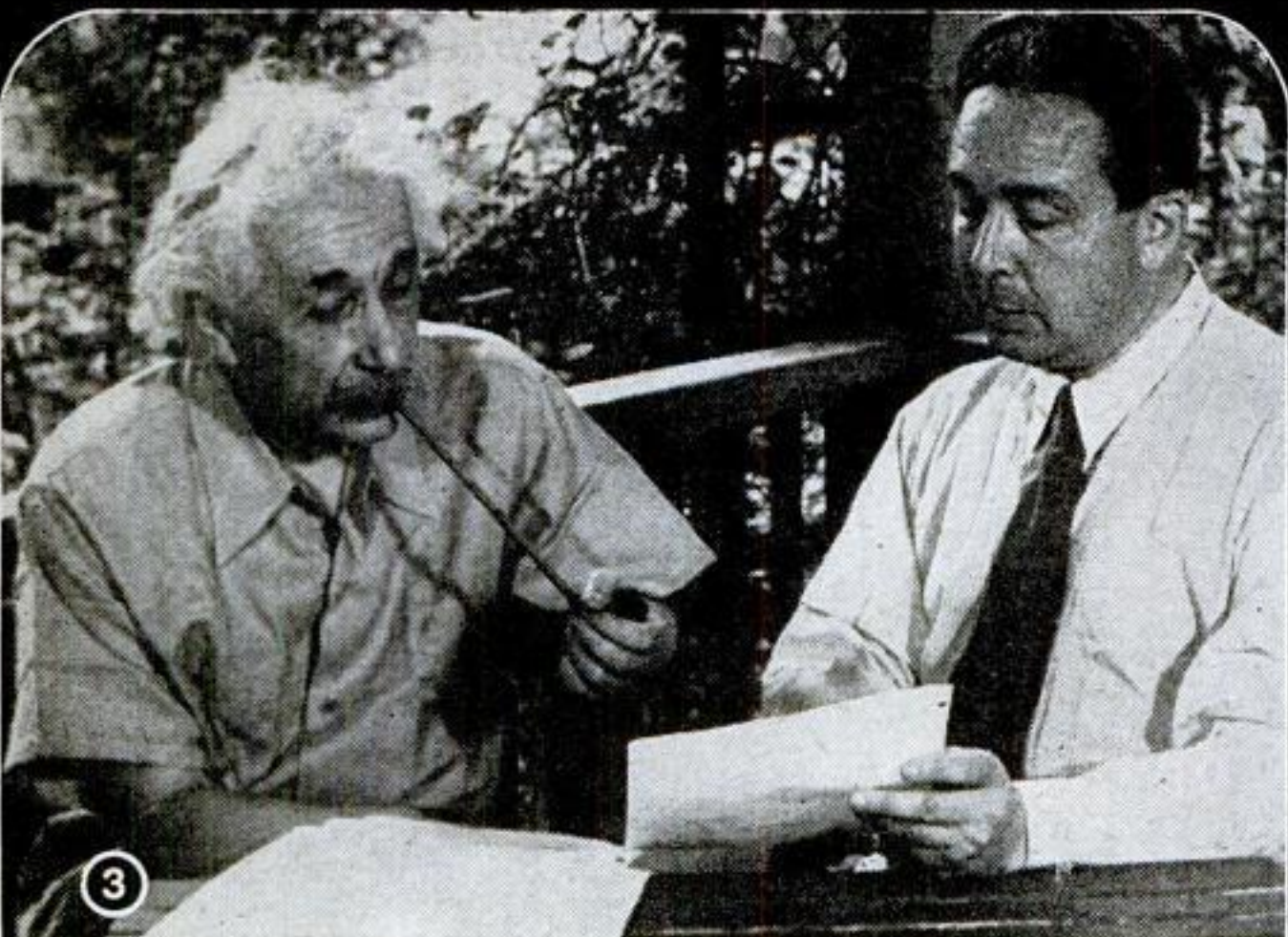
Atomic Power

Scientists act for "March of Time"

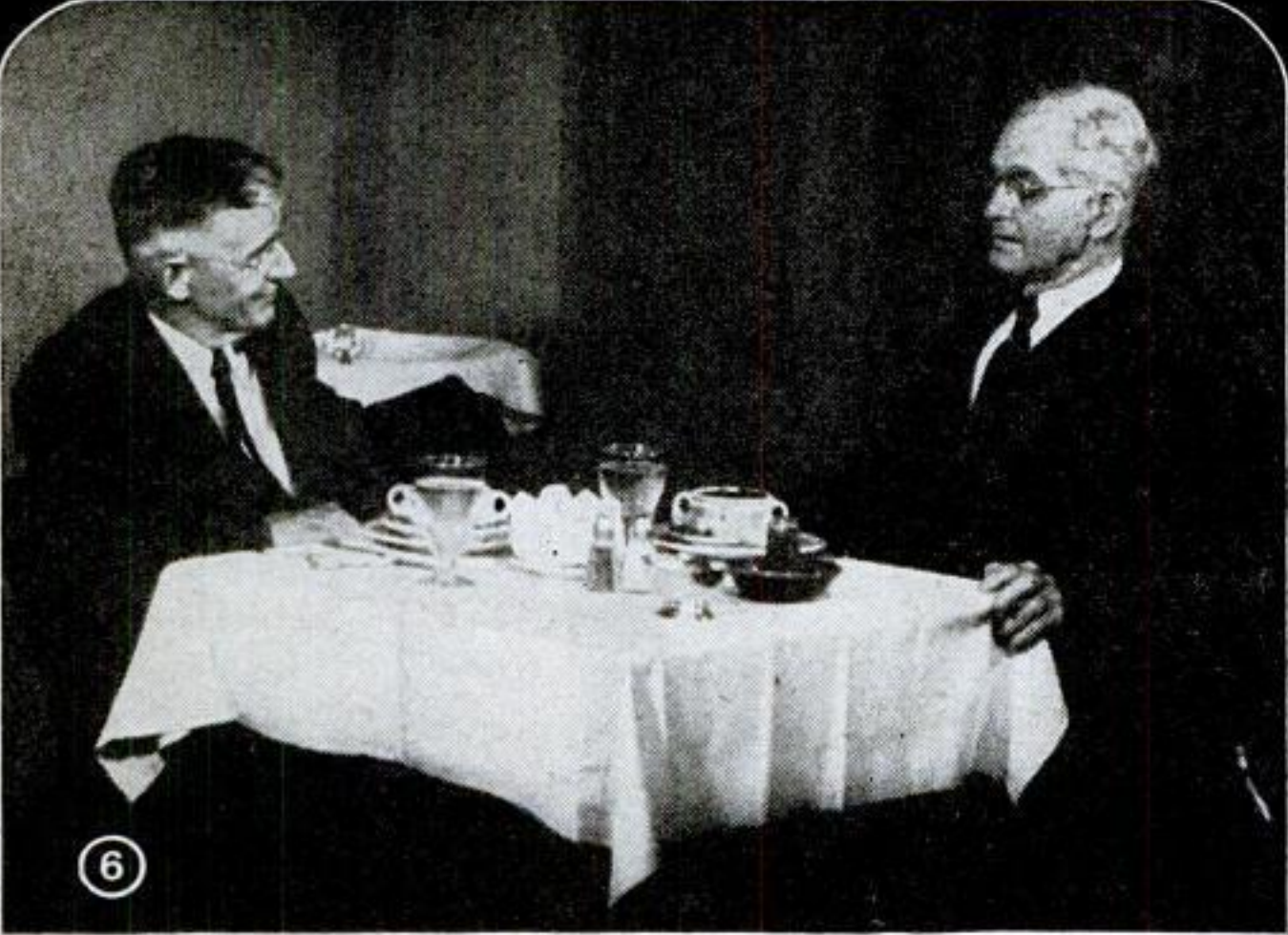
While Hollywood is laboring over a ponderous epic of the atomic bomb, with Hume Cronyn and Moroni Olsen as great men of science, the *March of Time* has scooped them with a remarkable piece of living history. *Atomic Power*, MOT's August release, tells how the bomb was made, but instead of actors, Producer Richard de Rochemont and Associate Producer D. Y. Bradshaw persuaded

the real scientists and directors of the Manhattan Project to re-enact their own parts. In the cast: Albert Einstein, Enrico Fermi, James B. Conant, Vannevar Bush, Major General Leslie R. Groves.

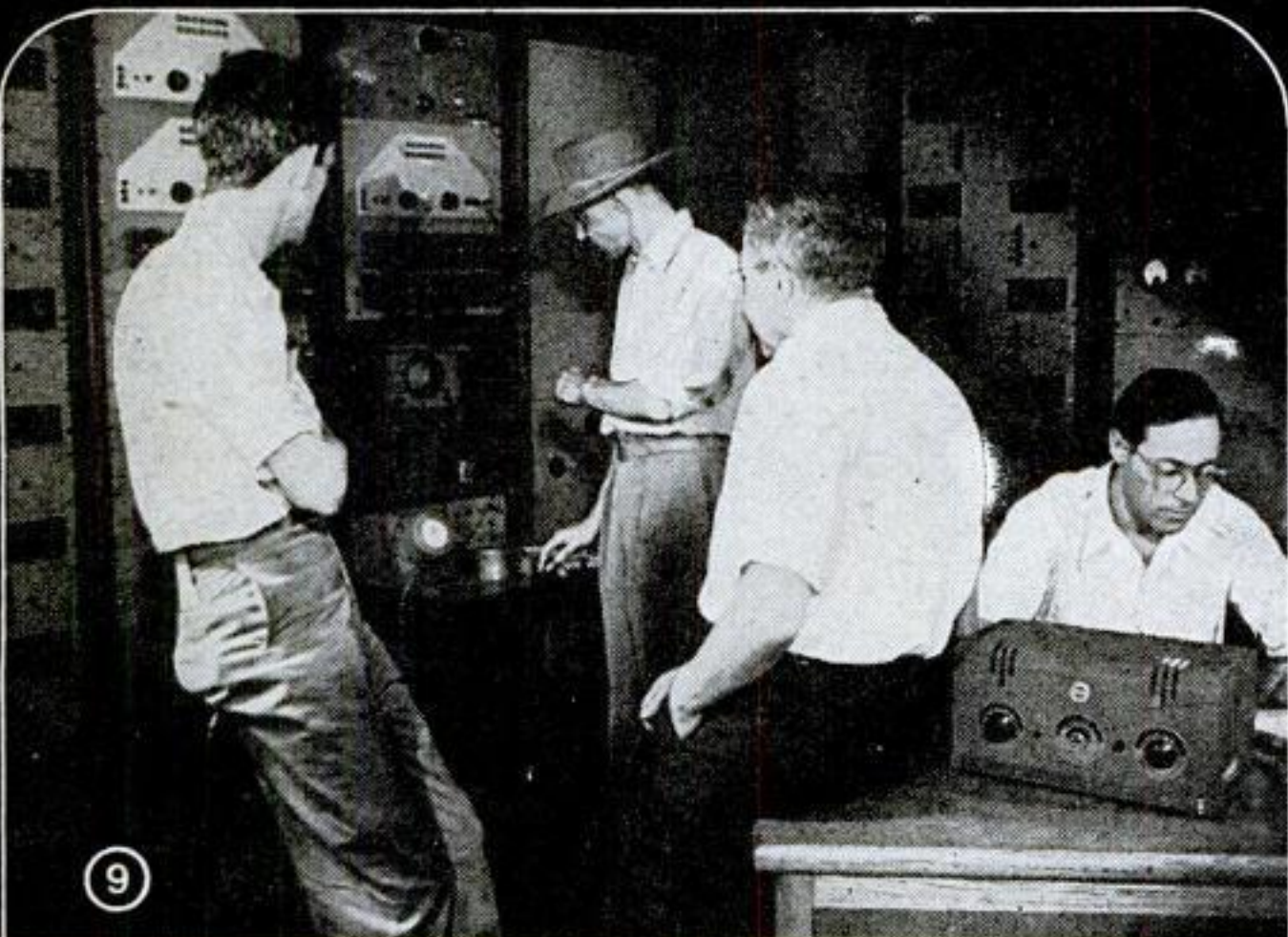
Moviegoers will learn that few atomic scientists are promising actors. Their very ineptitude, however, gives *Atomic Power* its realistic punch. A noteworthy exception: J. R. Oppenheimer, who



③ **ALBERT EINSTEIN** is asked by Physicist Leo Szilard to urge U.S. atomic-research backing. Then Einstein wrote famous letter to Roosevelt.



⑥ **AT A QUIET DINNER** in December 1941, Dr. Vannevar Bush (left), Columbia's Dr. George Pegram lay plans for intensified atomic research.



⑨ **AT LOS ALAMOS** Dr. J. R. Oppenheimer (in hat) supervises controls which set off first atomic bomb ever exploded, on July 16, 1945.

takes part in the Los Alamos bomb trial with an intensity suggestive of Humphrey Bogart when the cops are closing in. *March of Time* trailed its actors all over the country, borrowed some from their work, even interrupted Dr. Bush's vacation. Scenes were set up on short notice and the resulting film has its rough edges. But as history it has the kind of impact which might be carried, say, by a re-enactment of the discovery of America with the real Columbus and Queen Isabella as stars.

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CONANT AND BUSH (right) shake hands in grim congratu-
lation. This scene was re-enacted in a Cambridge, Mass. garage.



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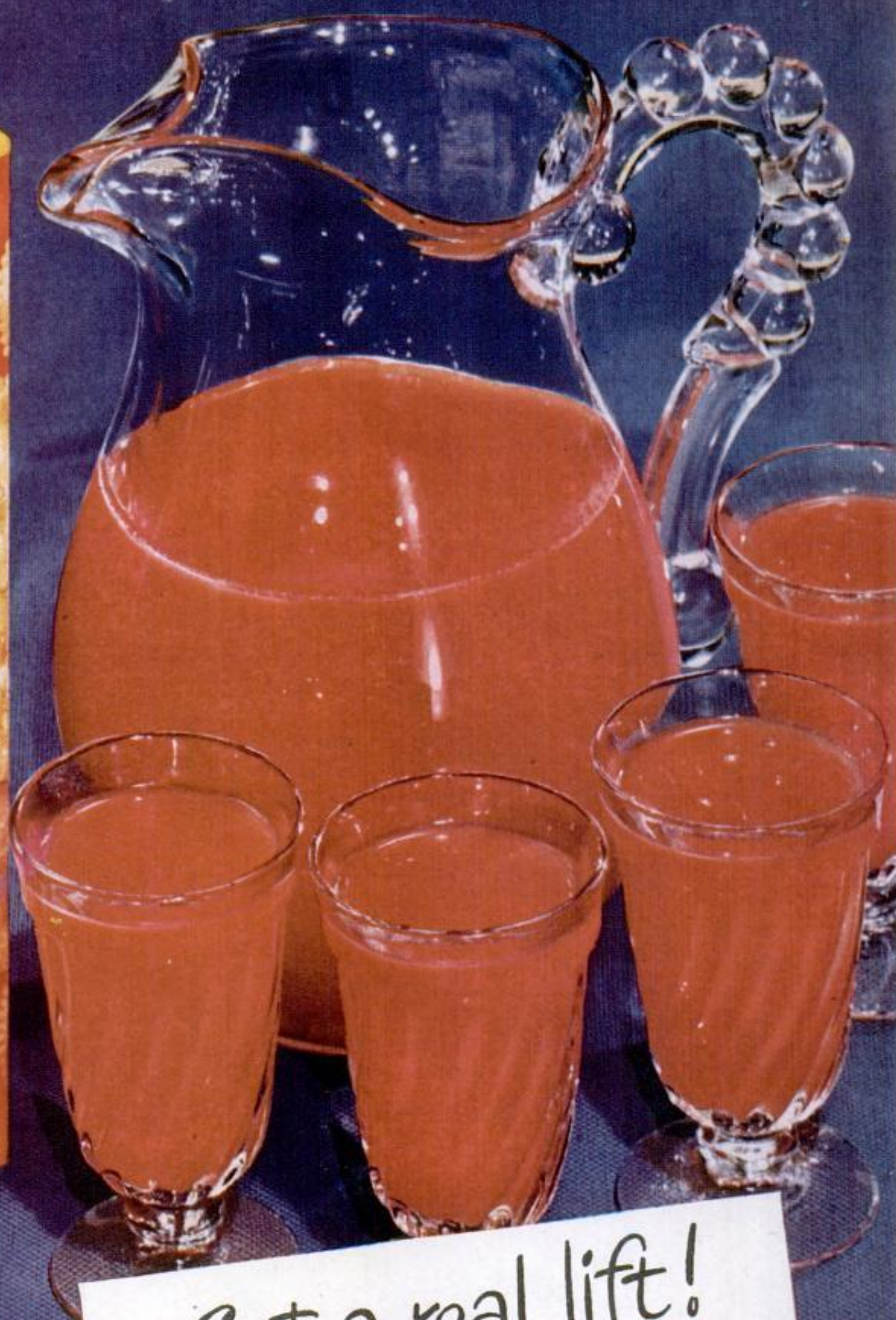
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THE RAZOR'S EDGE

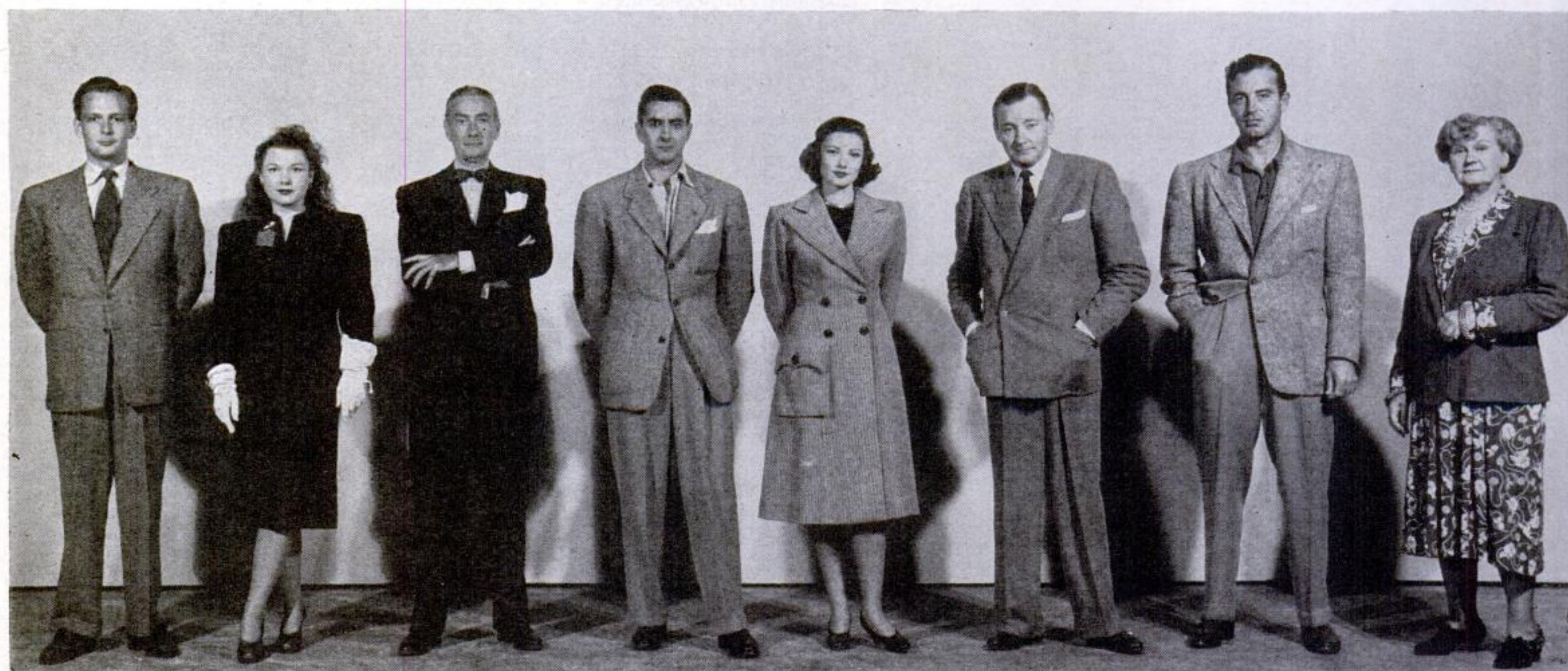
Story of a single scene shows how Maugham's novel is translated into a \$3,000,000 movie

PHOTOGRAPHS for LIFE by RALPH CRANE

Several years ago the eminent W. Somerset Maugham set himself to writing a novel which, with certain overtones of modern mysticism, told the story of a sensitive and introspective young man who sought and eventually found inner spiritual satisfaction. In time his book, *The Razor's Edge*, became a best-seller and was sold for \$250,000, a high but not uncommon figure, to Darryl F. Zanuck, 20th Century-Fox's now-fabulous head of production, whose cinematic five-foot shelf includes such famous novels-turned-movie as *The Grapes of Wrath*, *Anna and the King of Siam*, *How Green Was My Valley* and *Leave Her to Heaven*. But while Mr. Maugham's outlay, save for his time and expenses of travel, was a few dollars for ink and paper, Mr. Zanuck's, in 99 days of shooting just completed, reaches \$3,000,000, involving the labors of some 4,000 people and raising the value of each foot of film (which cost only 4¢ unused) to \$250. To explain the enormously complicated process of making such a movie, LIFE has selected a single sequence which includes the strips of film reproduced on this page. It shows the near-seduction of the hero, Tyrone Power, by the heroine, Gene Tierney. On the following pages Photographer Ralph Crane follows the production of this scene, step by step, from the printed page to the film.



DARRYL ZANUCK is big boss of *The Razor's Edge*. He selects writer and director, hires actors, supervises costs. Zanuck is a human dynamo. His main duty is supervising production at studio, but he also produces some of its most important pictures personally. Salary: \$260,833 a year.



PRINCIPALS for *The Razor's Edge* are (left to right) Frank Latimore, who plays Bob MacDonald, Anne Baxter (Sophie MacDonald), Clifton Webb (Elliott Temple-

ton), Tyrone Power (Larry Darrell), Gene Tierney (Isabel Bradley, later Isabel Maturin), Herbert Marshall (Somerset Maugham), John Payne (Gray Maturin) and Lucille

Watson (Louisa Bradley). Roughly, the plot tells of Isabel's marriage to Gray and her lifelong love for an indifferent Larry. Combined salaries for these players: \$489,000.



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me, and when I'd got him home I didn't believe it would be hard to keep him there, especially with Mamma ill. 'What a fool I am not to have thought of that before,' I said to myself. 'Of course that'll settle everything.' When the music stopped I just stayed there in his arms. Then I said it was getting late and we had to take the train at noon, so we'd better go. We got into a taxi. I nestled close to him and he put his arms around me and kissed me. He kissed me—oh, it was heaven. It hardly seemed a moment before the taxi stopped at the door. Larry paid it.

"I shall walk home," he said.

"The taxi rattled off and I put my arms round his neck.

"Won't you come up and have one last drink?" I said.

"Yes, if you like," he said.

"He'd rung the bell and the door swung open. He switched on the light as we stepped in, I looked into his eyes. They were so trusting, so honest, so—so guileless; he so obviously hadn't the smallest idea that I was laying a trap for him; I felt I couldn't play him such a dirty trick. It was like taking candy off a child. Did you know what I did? I said, 'Oh well, perhaps you'd better not. Mamma's not very well tonight and if she's fallen asleep I don't want to wake her up. Good night.' I put my face up for him to kiss and pushed him out of the door. That was the end of that."

"Are you sorry?" I asked.

"I'm neither pleased nor sorry. I just couldn't help myself. It wasn't me that did what I did. It was just an impulse that took possession of me and acted for me." She grinned. "I suppose you'd call it my better nature."

"I suppose you would."

"Then my better nature must take the consequences. I trust in the future it'll be more careful."

That was in effect the end of our talk. It may be that it was some consolation to Isabel to have been able to speak to someone with entire freedom, but that was all the good I had been able to do her. Feeling I had been inadequate, I tried to say at least some small thing that would give her comfort.

"You know, when one's in love," I said, "and things go all wrong, one's terribly unhappy and one thinks one won't ever get over it. But you'll be astounded to learn what the sea will do."

"What do you mean?" she smiled.

"Well, love isn't a good sailor and it languishes on a sea voyage. You'll be surprised when you have the Atlantic between you and Larry to find how slight the pang is that before you sailed seemed intolerable."

"Do you speak from experience?"

"From the experience of a stormy past. When I suffered from the pang of unrequited love I immediately got on an ocean liner."

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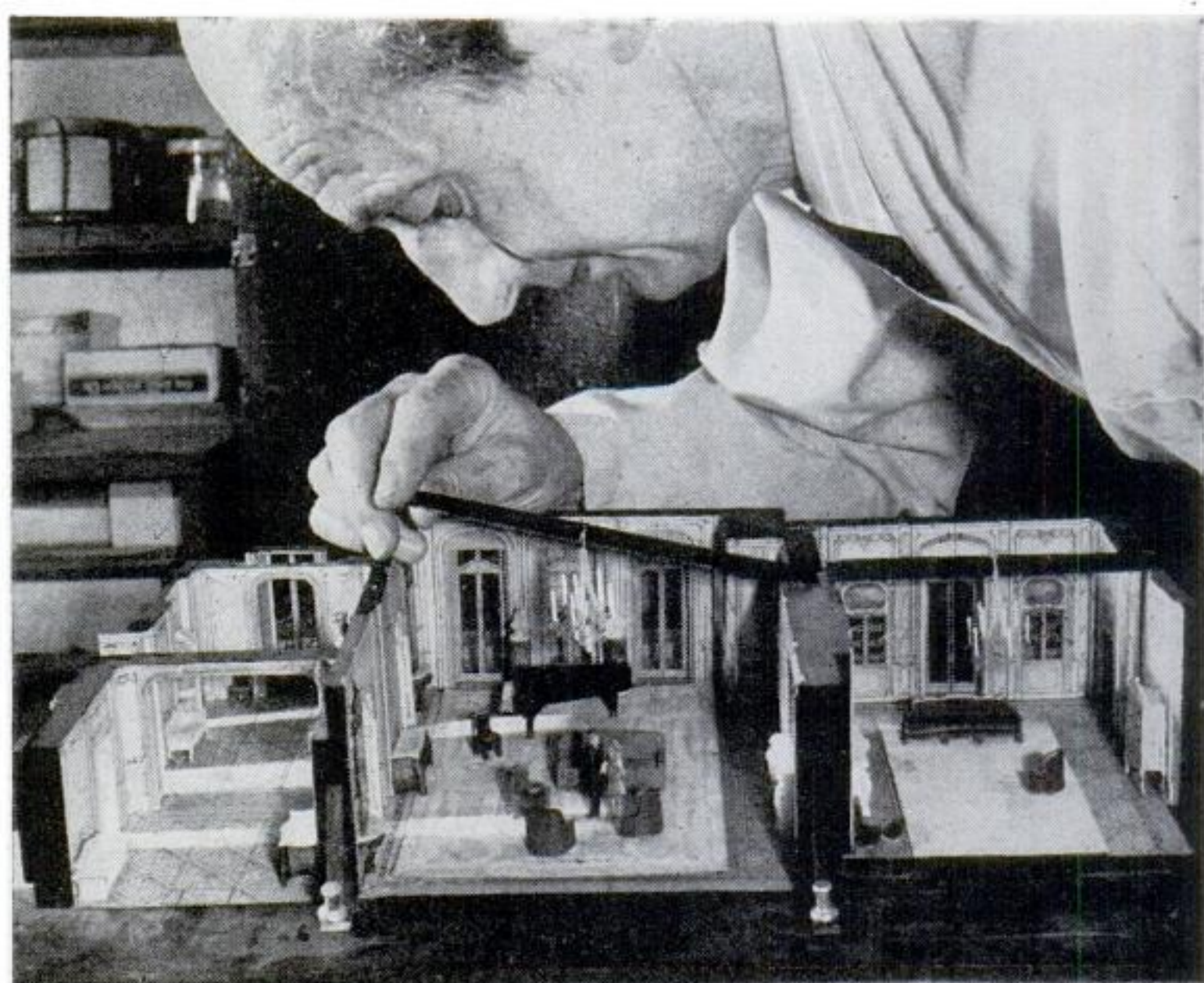
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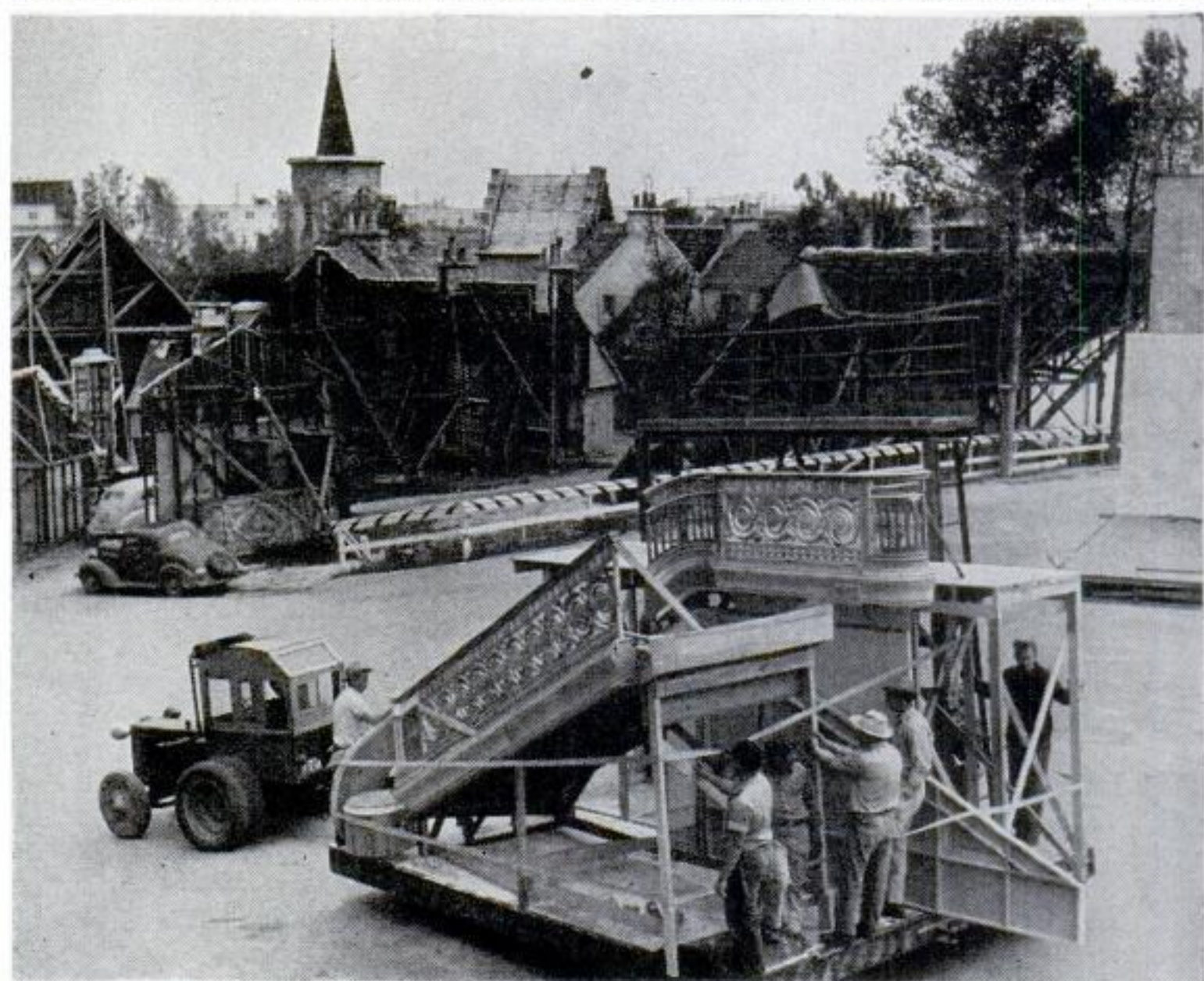
PRELIMINARY SKETCH shows the elegant Paris drawing room of Elliott Templeton, the heroine's rich and fastidious uncle. This is where the seduction scene takes place.



PRELIMINARY MODEL is constructed to scale as soon as the director has approved plans. Model maker is Al Weidler, father of the young movie actress, Virginia Weidler.



FINAL SET looks like this. The wall panels were copied in plaster from oak panels imported from France. Room is complete except for fourth wall. Total cost: \$34,321.



STAIRCASE for the hall of the apartment was constructed at studio out of wood and plaster, then painted bronze. Here it is being hauled over to the set for installation.



STARS pose for still pictures beside the staircase. Seduction scene occurs after this return from a nightclub.



TREE is moved into place outside the windows by "greenery man." It must be of the sort that grows in Paris.



PROPS are found in Properties Department or hunted in antique shops. Workman carries out a Chinese figure.



SKY-BACKING is carried from a studio storeroom to Stage 5, where the seduction scene is being filmed, by

10 "grips," or studio handymen. It is 100 feet long and, when hung from wall 40 feet behind the set and properly

lighted, it will look like a sky. The cost of this item was not figured into the final construction costs of the set.



STARS DO HOMEWORK. Tyrone Power takes a steam bath after each day's shooting and studies next day's lines. Gene Tierney (below) reports early each morning at the studio to have her hair done, learns her lines then. Except for eyelashes, she uses street make-up on the screen.

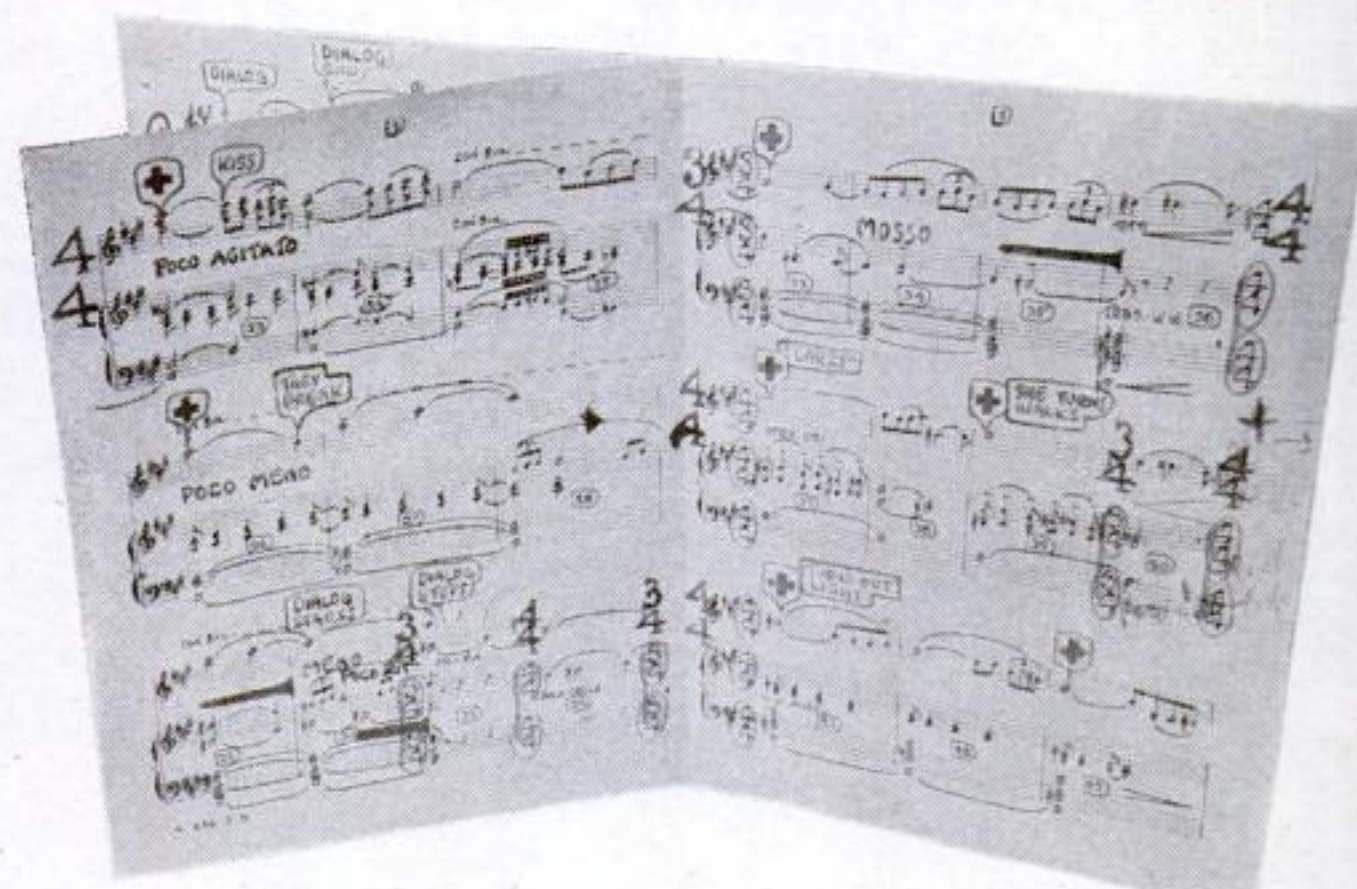


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MAUGHAM
*The Razor's
Edge*

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GOULDING TEACHES Gene Tierney to play a love scene, doing so by playing her part with Tyrone Power. Goulding is an ex-actor and loves to do this.



MUSICAL SCORE IS ANNOTATED TO TIE IN WITH ACTION



STUDIO ORCHESTRA, directed by Alfred Newman, plays the score for the scene. It took four hours, 30 minutes to record. Newman must compose his



TIERNEY COPIES Goulding when she acts. His sets are known for their fun though he is a real slave driver who often comes to work at 6:30 a.m.

DIRECTOR GETS THE SCRIPT ONTO FILM

With script written and set prepared, total responsibility for the scene passes to Director Edmund Goulding (*right*). His primary duty is to perfect the acting of Tyrone Power and Gene Tierney but almost as important is supervision of the cutting. Cutting—actually done by Watson Webb (*lower right*)—involves piecing together the best elements in the many “takes” of the scene to fashion a coherent whole. For this scene, 1,787 feet of film were exposed, of which 397 will appear on the screen. After cutting, Composer Alfred Newman must write appropriate music with high and low points keyed to action on the screen. Only when this is done and joined with voices on the sound track can the elaborate technical process of shooting a scene be considered complete.



EDMUND GOULDING, director of *The Razor's Edge*, likes to shoot a scene in one take by moving the camera rather than piece together close-ups and long shots, as most directors do. This makes things easier for Cutter Watson Webb (*below*) whose job is one of Hollywood's trickiest.



music with a stopwatch in hand, so musical themes will dovetail with film. The music for this scene was designed to express the characters' frustration.



SMALL ARMY HELPS SHOOT THE FINAL KISS

In actual production the climactic kiss of the seduction sequence is photographed in the presence of the 51 assorted technicians in the picture at right, plus 30 others who do not appear in the picture. Their functions are listed below. Although the size of this contingent would have staggered an old-time movie maker, it is not unusual by current Hollywood standards. It is due in part to the sheer prodigality of the industry, in part to tremendous feather-bedding by movie unions. But it is also necessary to have many experts standing ready to ply their trades at a moment's notice should anything go wrong on sets whose inflexible overhead, active or idle, is some \$2,000 an hour.

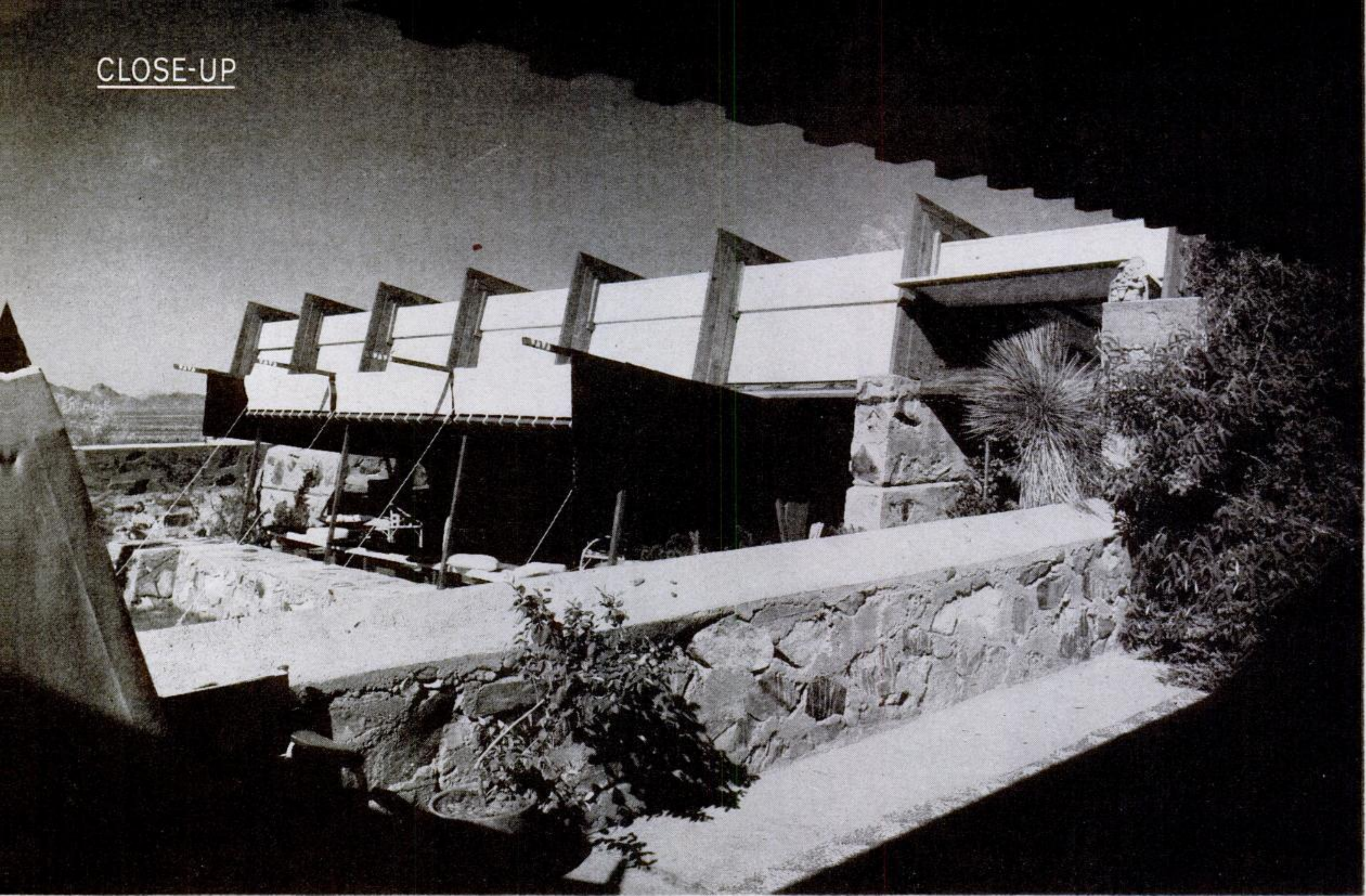
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| 6 Camera Operator | 31 Grip |
| 7 Crane Operator | 32 Still Photographer |
| 8 Key (i.e. head) Grip | 33 Assistant Prop Man |
| 9 Best Boy (Assistant Gaffer) | 34 Prop Man |
| 10 Grip | 35 Sound-Cable Man |
| 11 Crane Operator | 36 Assistant Sound Engineer |
| 12 Crane Steerer | 37 Stand-in for Power |
| 13 Dialog Assistant | 38 Stand-in for Tierney |
| 14 2nd Assistant Director | 39 Follow-up Man |
| 15 Fireman | 40 Sound Engineer ("Mixer") |
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ZANUCK SEES RUSHES (rough film without sound) to check daily progress of his \$3,000,000 investment.

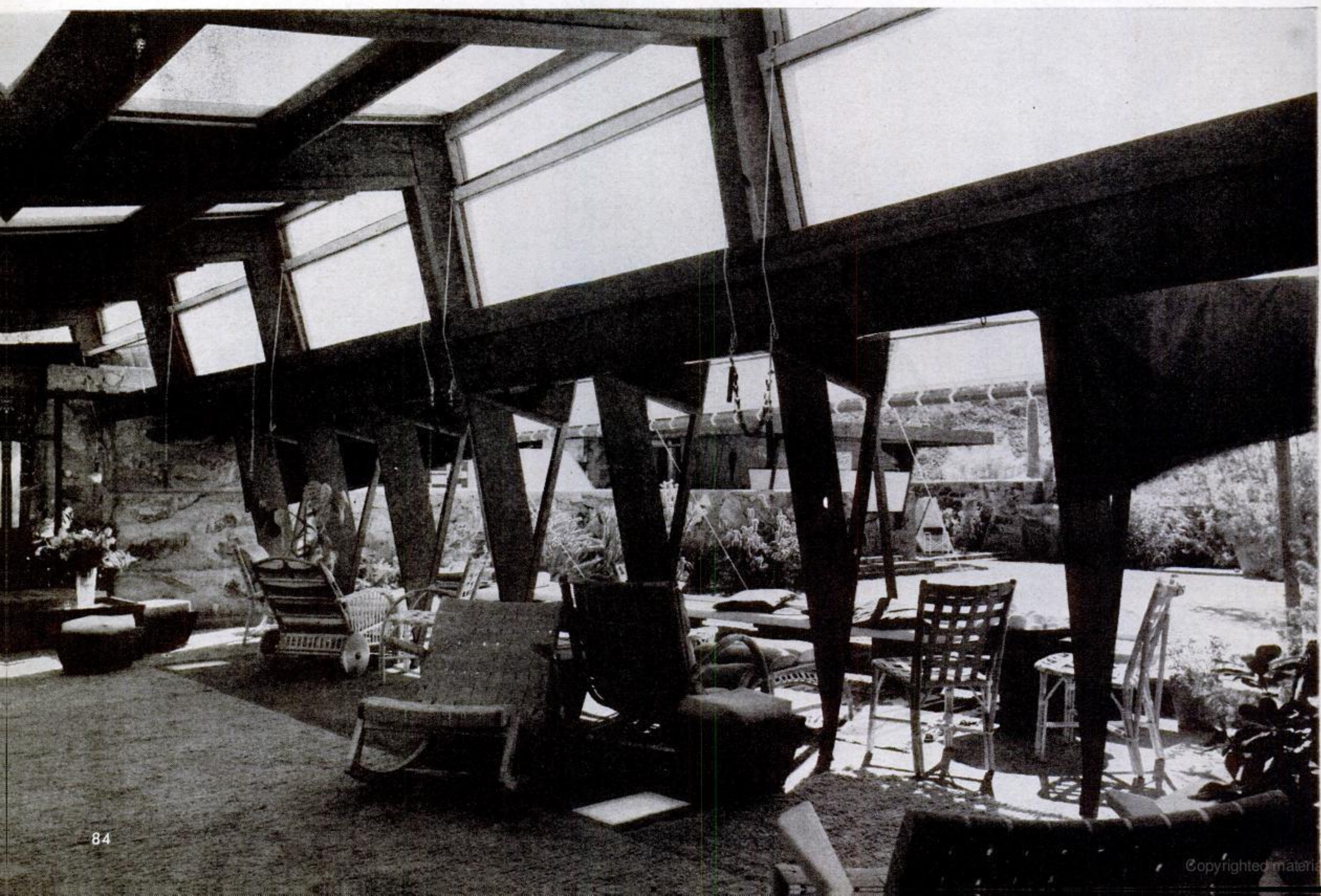


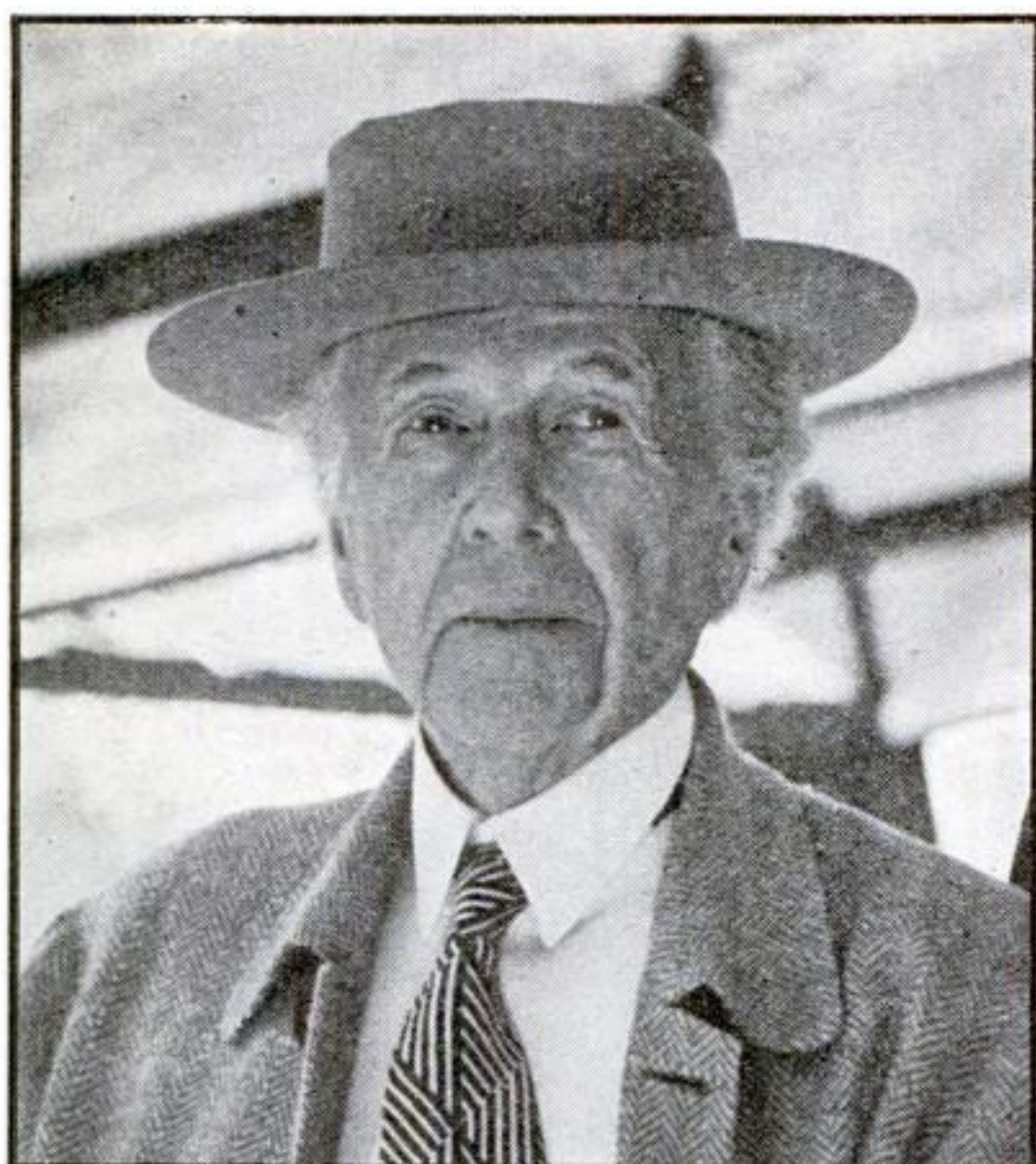




TALIESIN WEST, a huge sprawling oasis in the Arizona desert where Wright spends the winter months, is his idea of an ideal, "natural" house, emphasizing simplicity and space. These pictures, taken for *Fortune*, show (above) a view from the stone terrace off

Wright's bedroom which overlooks the walled garden and (below) a view from the spacious living room toward the garden with its patch of green lawn. The whole side of the living room consists of canvas flaps which open up to make room and garden one.





AFTER 77 FLAMBOYANT YEARS WRIGHT IS HALE

Frank Lloyd Wright

The titan of modern architecture still flings his houses and his insults at backward colleagues

by WINTHROP SARGEANT

IF... I were suffered to apply the word genius to only one living American," wrote the late Alexander Woolcott some time ago, "I would have to save it up for Frank Lloyd Wright." For a generation the object of this high tribute has been designing the most controversial, and some of the most beautiful, houses in the U.S. He has been surrounded with an aura of fame that has probably not been accorded an architect since Michelangelo. His private life, recorded in lurid headlines, has encompassed a degree of theatricality equaled only in such classical examples of biographical melodrama as Benvenuto Cellini's and Casanova's. The U. S. public has thought of him mainly as a creator of extravagant buildings: the earthquake-proof Imperial Hotel in Tokyo, houses suspended over waterfalls, sprawling modernistic structures in which living would appear a strange and not too prudent adventure. Fellow architects have hailed and damned him as everything from a great poet and visionary to an insupportable windbag. The clergy has deplored his morals. Creditors have deplored his financial habits, writers his literary style, wives his infidelities, politicians his opinions.

Riding out a perpetual storm of controversy with a serene egotism that is attained by few men, Frank Lloyd Wright has never doubted Woolcott's verdict. He anticipated it long ago with an even higher tribute to his own abilities. Said he, in a conversation with his friend Elbert Hubbard, "Not only do I intend to be the greatest architect who has yet lived, but the greatest who will ever live. Yes, I intend to be the greatest architect of all time..." The sheer weight of such magnificent self-assurance has been either disarming or irritating critical opinion for years. Wright, a slight, white-haired man with the manners of a potentate and the

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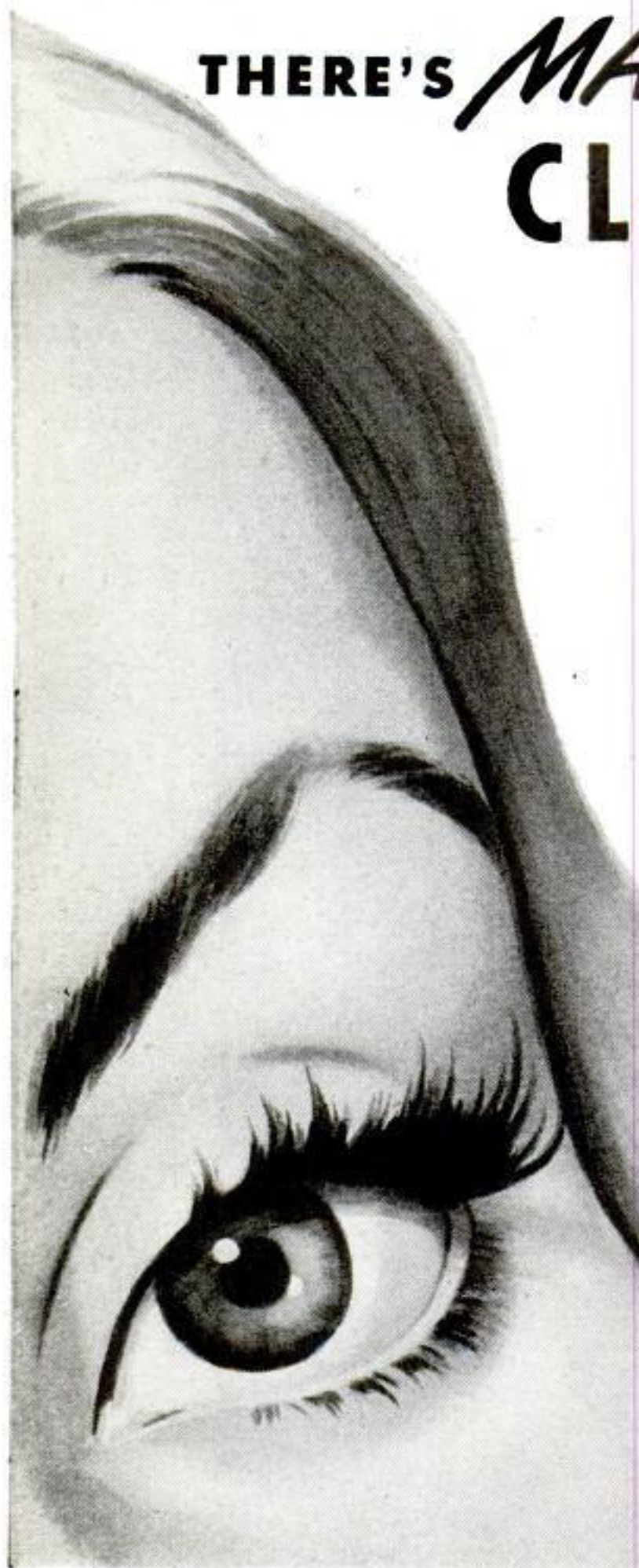


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appearance of a Kentucky colonel, has hurled each new building at the public and the architectural profession like a gauntlet. His latest challenge, the spiral, clinical-looking Guggenheim Art Museum which is soon to be erected on Manhattan's Fifth Avenue (LIFE, Oct. 8, 1945), is already drawing catcalls and astounded murmurs from his colleagues. "It's going to make the Metropolitan (the ponderous old stone quarry) look like a Protestant barn," he promises.

The eminence of Frank Lloyd Wright rests, of course, not on the cyclonic background of arson, murder, arrests, lawsuits, fist fights, stabbings and exuberant paranoia in which he has spent his 77 years, but on his great influence upon the changing scene of contemporary U.S. architecture. The average man (less than 10% of the U.S. population hires architects) seldom gives that scene a thought. He is grateful to have a roof over his head and thinks of a house not as a work of art, but as a place where sensible people can come in out of the rain. But he can no more live without architecture than without food or clothing. And the architecture he lives in—good or bad—exerts a profound influence on his habits, his thinking and even his health and economic well being. His machine-age cities, growing like jungles, have imprisoned him in a rank clutter of antiquated masonry that is not only ugly to look at but unnecessary and inconvenient as well. He pays rent for cornices instead of comfort. He would not willingly drive a 10-year-old car, but he lives cheerfully in an imitation Norman apartment house, sends his children to an imitation Gothic school, does his banking in an imitation Roman bath, goes to church in an imitation Greek temple and patronizes an imitation Moorish movie house. These curious habits have long been looked on by progressive architects as an incredible and expensive masquerade—a ponderous hang-over from the imitative splendor and creative unimaginativeness of 19th Century building. Little by little they are being changed, and a new, neat, sometimes bare and boxlike but efficient and honest architecture is taking the place of the old synthetic mausoleums and chateaux that were the pride of the age of horsecars.

Wright's influence has been indirect, intermittent and oblique. A complete individualist by temperament, he has never been able to ally himself with any group or school. He has followed U.S. architecture as an angry terrier does a nervous cow, nipping at its ankles, barking uproariously at it, worrying it to distraction and just keeping clear of its horns. He has very little use for his fellow architects. He once addressed a solemn gathering of the Indiana Society of Architects by rising, accepting a polite murmur of applause and beginning, "You call yourselves architects?" Here he snorted broadly. "Gentlemen, you are withering on the vine!" He hates doctrinaire modernism as much as he does doctrinaire conservatism. The skyscraper, popular symbol of American architectural advance, moves him to nothing but scorn. ("Radio City, Last Tower of Babylon, is the crime of all crimes, and there is no excuse for it whatsoever." On the Empire State Building: "Look at the thing! . . . An unethical monstrosity, a robber going tall to rob neighbors.") He sees no future for the American city and very little future, indeed, for anything else that has not been invented by Frank Lloyd Wright.

The 500-odd homes and public buildings that he has designed in his long lifetime have alternately stimulated and scandalized the architectural profession. A pioneer in the use of casement windows, broad slablike lines and simple, undecorated surfaces, when these things were almost unheard of in American architecture, he became, in his 40s, a leader to whom all the progressive architects of Europe paid homage. A pioneer in functionalism, whose theories he learned at the feet of his master, the revolutionary Chicago architect, Louis Sullivan, Wright has lived to denounce the work of nearly every present-day functionalist. He has written 13 books of eloquent, sometimes windy, Whitmanesque prose that architectural students carry around like bibles. Their contents, provocative, poetic and preposterous by turns, include everything from house designing to morals and utopian politics and read like the rumblings of Old Testament prophecy. Their message, boiled down from masses of bubbling rhetoric, is not so much a system of architectural philosophy as an exhorta-



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tion to the faithful to follow the true path which Frank Lloyd Wright, by his instinct and inspiration, has discerned.

Even his enemies admit that Wright's best work ranks him as one of the greatest artists that contemporary architecture has produced. His earliest houses, built in the 1890s around Chicago and nearby Wisconsin, still possess a simplicity and dignity of style that has outlived acres of fussy, conventional and now old-fashioned-looking home building. His architectural ideas—a preference for spacious, low-slung designs with sweeping eaves and broad, hovering roofs, "married to the ground"; a love of big fireplaces and massive chimneys; a hatred of tacked-on fixtures, radiators and unnecessary partitions; a crusader's fervor for simplicity in ornament and for making building materials like stone and wood preserve their natural beauty undisguised by paint or plaster; an uncompromising insistence that houses be built from the inside out, "organically," their lines designed to express, naturally, the life that goes on within them—all these things and many more Wrightisms have been imitated by countless other modern architects. But Wright's finest houses contain also an indefinable, personal quality that transcends theory and defies imitation. It is found in the lavish sweep of massive slabs of brickwork, in the dramatic way in which low-ceilinged corridors open up into spacious rooms, in the uncanny appropriateness with which Wright houses fit into their natural settings. It is a purely personal expression, like the touch of a master pianist or the diction of a great actor. It causes confirmed Wright clients to love their houses with a devotion most people reserve for their wives and children.

An incurable esthete, Wright approaches his buildings as though they were poems or symphonies instead of mere houses. Some clients have even come to doubt whether it is they who own their symphonic masterpieces or Frank Lloyd Wright. A confirmed enemy of pictures, interior decoration and what he considers inappropriate furniture, Wright can be roused to a towering fury by clients who insist on defacing his masterpieces with the wrong kind of interior appointments. His stature as a great architectural poet has also given him a very lofty view of the problem of roofs that leak. One client, Herbert F. Johnson Jr. of Racine, Wis., was proudly entertaining friends at a dinner in honor of the opening of his brand-new Frank Lloyd Wright house when rain from a leaky roof began spattering in a steady stream on his head. Furious, he called Wright on the telephone, demanding that something be done. Wright was undismayed. "Why don't you move your chair a little bit to one side?" he suggested. As a matter of fact, Wright's own winter home near Phoenix, Ariz. has a truly poetic roof of stretched white canvas that leaks copiously whenever it rains. His unsympathetic rancher neighbors delight in visiting him during rainstorms just to see the great man cower with Olympian dignity in fireplaces and other apertures, keeping out of the wet.

A virtuoso of public building

IF Wright is a poet in his domestic architecture, he is a thundering virtuoso in his public buildings. They have strained all the conventional rules of construction, maddened conservative contractors and building-code authorities and hit the public fancy like bombshells. The publicity value of the famous S. C. Johnson Wax Company administration building in Racine (which attracts hordes of curious tourists) has far outweighed its value purely as a building. Fellow architects have often decried this feature of his work as rank sensationalism. But Wright could easily cite in his defense that publicity has been a legitimate goal of architectural splendor at least since Michelangelo designed St. Peter's in Rome. The fact is that, despite their flaunting of all accepted standards of architectural soundness, Wright's buildings have shown both astonishing practicality and remarkable durability. The Imperial Hotel in Tokyo, built like a vast float riding on a jellylike foundation of mud, has, in fact, survived some of Japan's worst earthquakes and has sustained its only injuries recently under the pounding of American bombs.

The secret of his structural soundness lies in Wright's almost infallible intuitive knowledge of the materials he works with. The famous "dendriform" or "golf-tee" columns that support the Johnson administration building were condemned as unsafe by conservative building authorities until Wright insisted on a public test of their strength. He set one of them up in a field and piled sand on top of it with a steam shovel. When the steam shovel finally stopped loading the column's pancakelike top, even Wright was surprised. It failed to crack even under the incredible weight

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of 60 tons. Because of the unconventionality of his engineering, Wright has had to submit to hundreds of such tests at the hands of building commissions. But the results have not only attested his soundness as a builder; they have always deliciously proved that everybody was wrong except Frank Lloyd Wright.

Wright's unconventionality has always been frowned upon by official bodies and architectural juries. He was not invited to participate in either the Chicago Exposition of 1933 or the New York World's Fair. He has never been awarded any of the important U.S. architectural medals or prizes. Neither the U.S. government nor the government of his home state of Wisconsin has ever employed him to design a building. He has never become a member of the American Institute of Architects, some say because the institute is afraid to invite him lest he refuse with a violent public denunciation.



WINDMILL designed for his aunts in Wisconsin caused family feud.

Personally, Frank Lloyd Wright is the perfect celebrity. He not only is an extraordinary man; he looks and acts the part. Sporting a Malacca cane, a flowing tie and a cape like Superman's, his white hair blowing in the wind, he resembles a great actor about to launch into a tirade from *King Lear*. He is about 5 feet 8 inches tall, but looks larger. His clothing, which is all made by a Chicago tailor according to his own specifications, ranges from elegant Palm Beach suits to velvet knickers and makes him as conspicuous as a baroque cathedral. When talking about people whose ideas he disagrees with, he has a habit of laughing uproariously as if their unsoundness were as self-evident as that of the prattlings of so many silly children. His conversations are apt to be monologues. He punctuates them with theatrical gestures of his lean hands and humorous flashes of his expressive light-gray eyes.

Behind those eyes lurks a mind that is a curious combination of the ham actor's, the Bohemian poet's, the religious prophet's and the shrewd Yankee individualist's. He talks about the materials of his craft—the earthbound solidity of stone, the spidery tensile strength of steel—with an extravagant feeling for metaphor that makes them seem like the weird pantheist deities of his Welsh ancestors. He pontificates on subjects like freedom and beauty with the windy 19th Century assurance. His favorite authors include Walt Whitman, Emerson, Thoreau and Henry George. His politics are a mixture of intuitive anarchism and old-fashioned American rugged individualism, peppered with violent opinions on such subjects as single tax, social credit and the evils of idle capital. His religion is a mixture of esthetics with a heritage of sturdy Unitarian free thinking which gives him an unquestioning faith in progress and the perfectability of human institutions. Temperamentally he is an incurable progressive, to whom utopias seem hindered only by the unforgivable stupidity of those who disagree with him. He is not only a fervent nationalist, but a fervent Midwesterner—an admirer of Henry Ford, an unreconstructed isolationist, a hater of what he regards as the menace of international banking, an inflexible enemy of the foreignness and financial dominance of New York. He is convinced that architecture is not merely a method of building, but a powerful instrument of social progress capable of bringing about a better world through radical changes in mankind's habits of living.

A less positive man would probably never have survived the thrusts and stresses of Wright's past. Descendant of a long line of Welsh preachers and farmers, Wright was born in the little town of Richland Center, Wis. His father was a restless Baptist (later a Unitarian) minister with a taste for music, his mother a woman of pioneering temperament and indomitable will for whom Wright always retained a close affection. Long before her son was born, Anna Lloyd Jones Wright had decided that he was to be a great architect. Before he was out of his crib, she decorated the walls of his room with oak-framed engravings of English cathedrals, which she had clipped from magazines. She sent him to private school and, as a little boy with long blond curls, he learned to play the piano. She denied him candy, pie, cake, bright colors and doctors, brought him up on a recipe of clean living, high thinking, plain cooking and poetry. Summers, he worked hard on an uncle's Wisconsin farm. When he was in his teens, his father suddenly took his hat off the hatrack and left home. Frank never saw him again.

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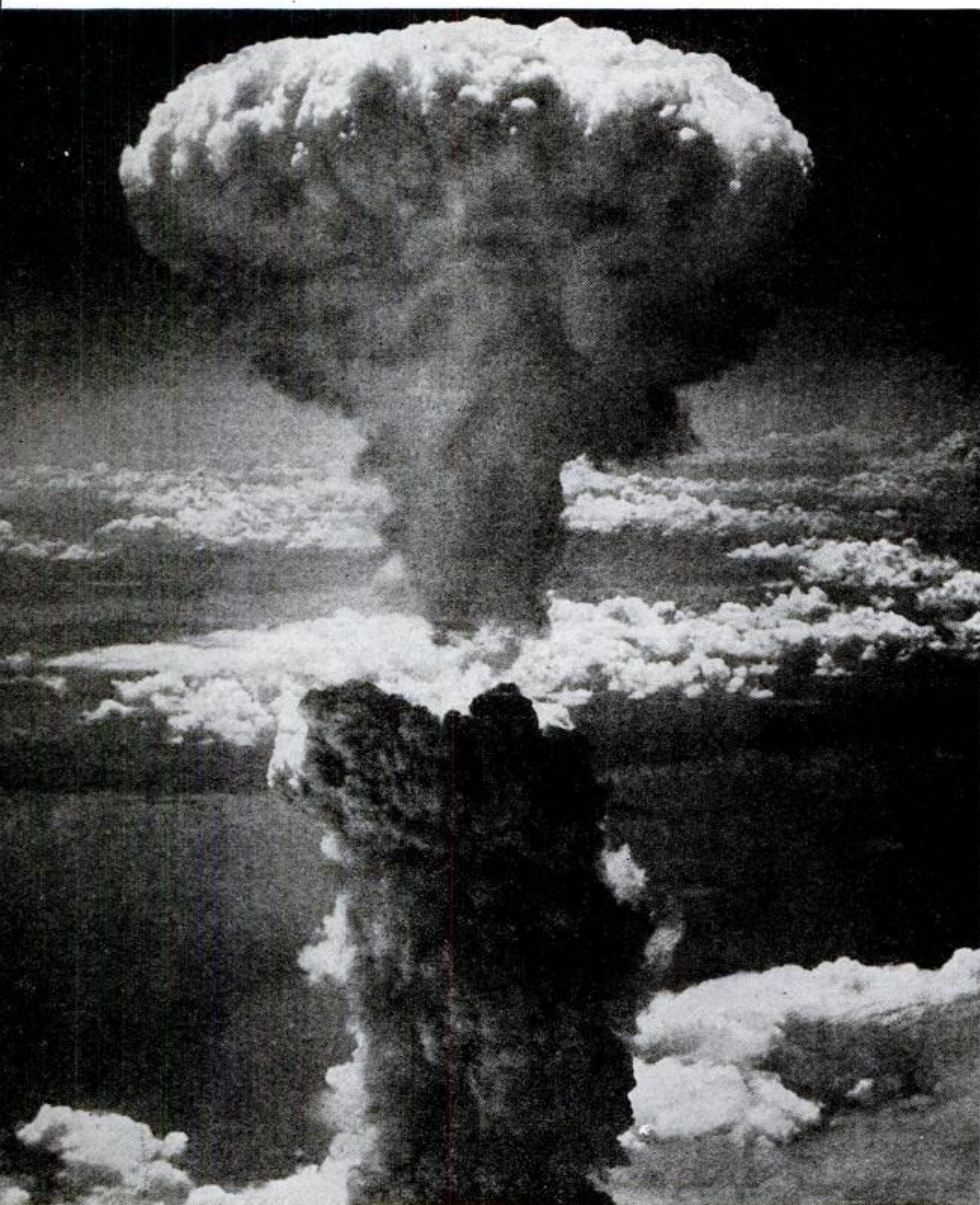
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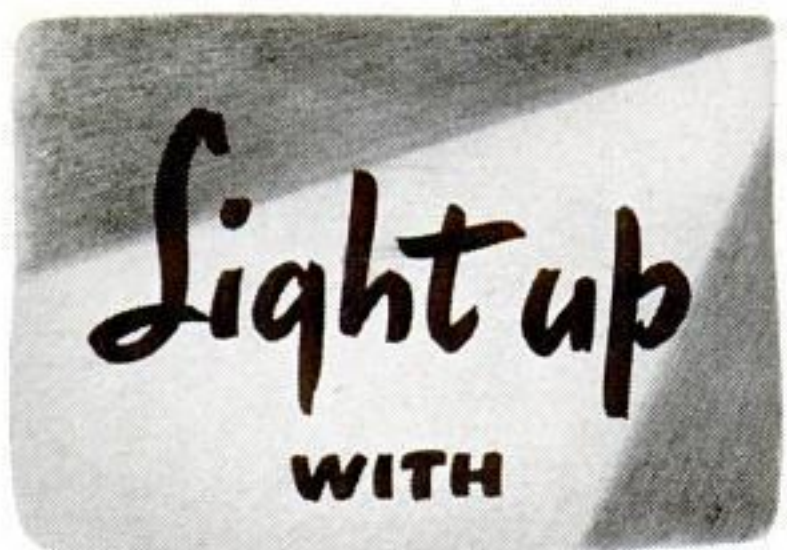
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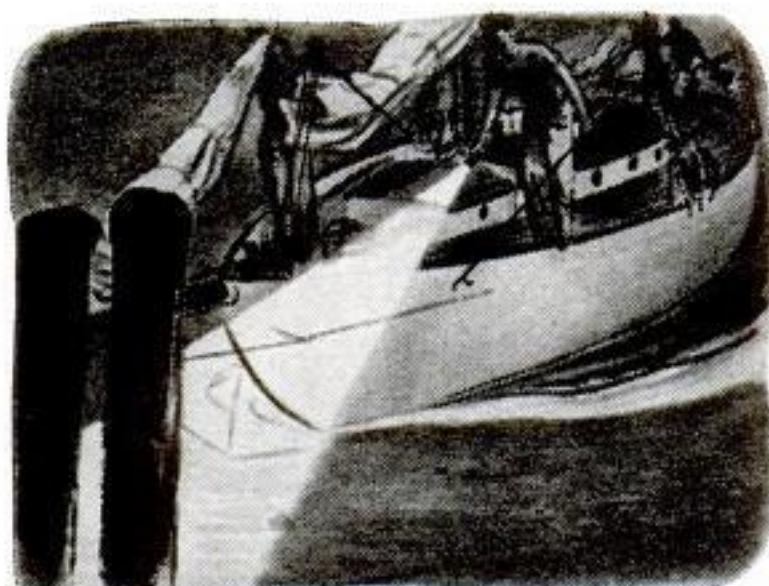
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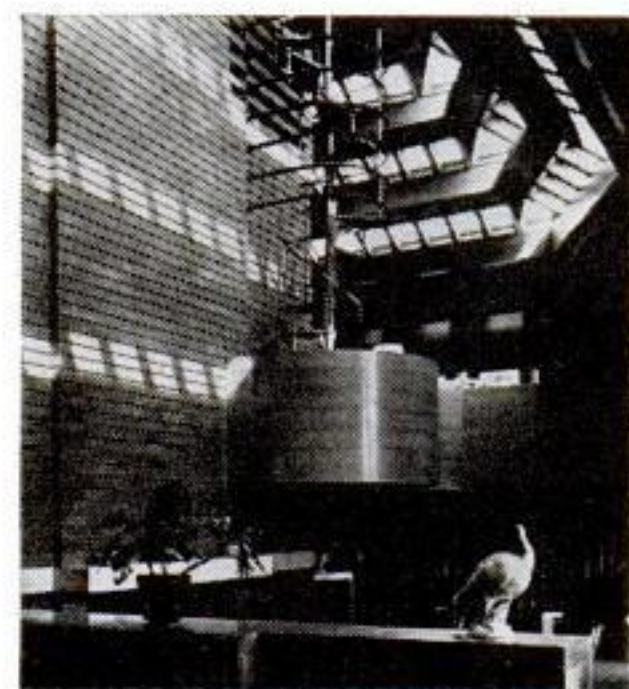
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An inability to endure confinement

WRIGHT married at 21, settled in Oak Park near Chicago, raised six children and soon became known as one of the most gifted, if eccentric, young architects in the Middle West. He built Oak Park's handsome monumental Unity Temple and the monolithic Larkin administration building in Buffalo. His home became a gathering place for visiting celebrities like Elbert Hubbard and Rabindranath Tagore. A passion for luxury and a complete obliviousness to the value of money (which he carried around crumpled like waste paper in his overcoat pocket) kept him in a state of elegant insolvency which became an intermittent but lifelong habit. "God give me the luxuries of life and I will willingly do without the necessities" has always been one of his favorite sayings. His clients became quite accustomed to seeing his building costs outrun his original estimates three and four times over. Frank Lloyd Wright had one dominant trait of character: an absolute inability to endure confinement of any sort. It affected his architecture, his finances, his contracts, his tastes. It finally



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affected his marriage. He had bought and redesigned a magnificent four-cylinder, three-seater Stoddard Dayton sport roadster, one of the three automobiles in Oak Park. One day he took Mamah (pronounced "May-mah") Borthwick Cheney, the wife of a Chicago businessman, out riding in it and never came back. Frank and Mamah took a trip to Italy and then settled near his old home in Spring Green, Wis., where he built her the first of those idyllic establishments to which he has successively given the name Taliesin. Taliesin was a famous Welsh poet. The name means "shining brow," and it presumably suggested itself to Wright because the building site was on the brow of a beautiful oak-studded hill. Twenty years later in his *Autobiography*, Wright described his love affair with Mamah in terms that were still passionately eloquent. Its end came suddenly and under incredibly melodramatic circumstances. One day while Wright was away on business, a Barbados Negro servant ran amok, set fire to Taliesin and murdered Mamah Borthwick Cheney and six other people, including her two children. Neighbors, long scandalized by Wright's extramarital carryings on, nodded their heads sagely, seeing an example of divine retribution. Wright buried his mistress with his own hands and retired to Chicago. For several years it looked as though he would never build again.



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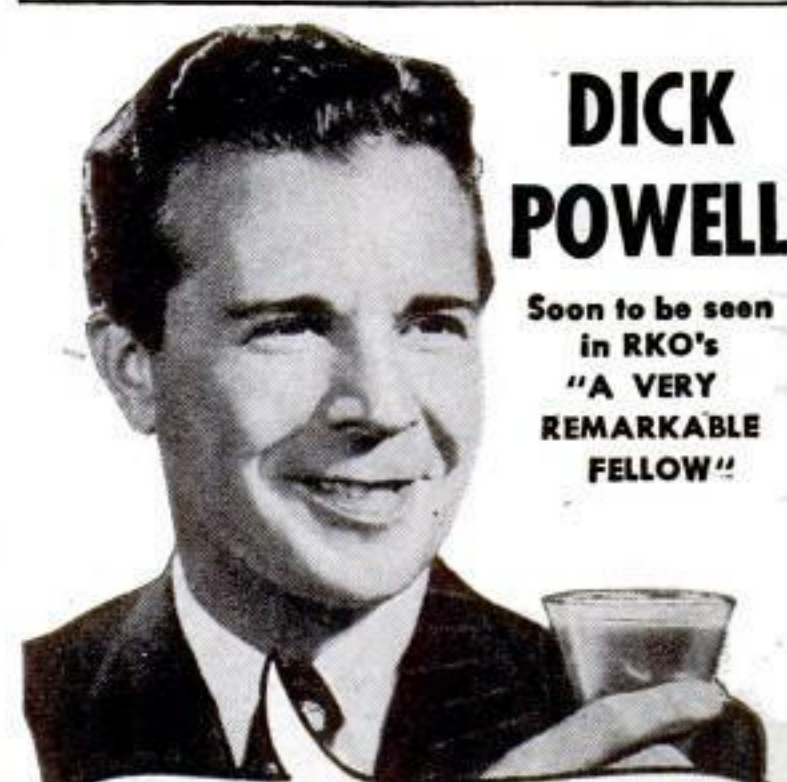
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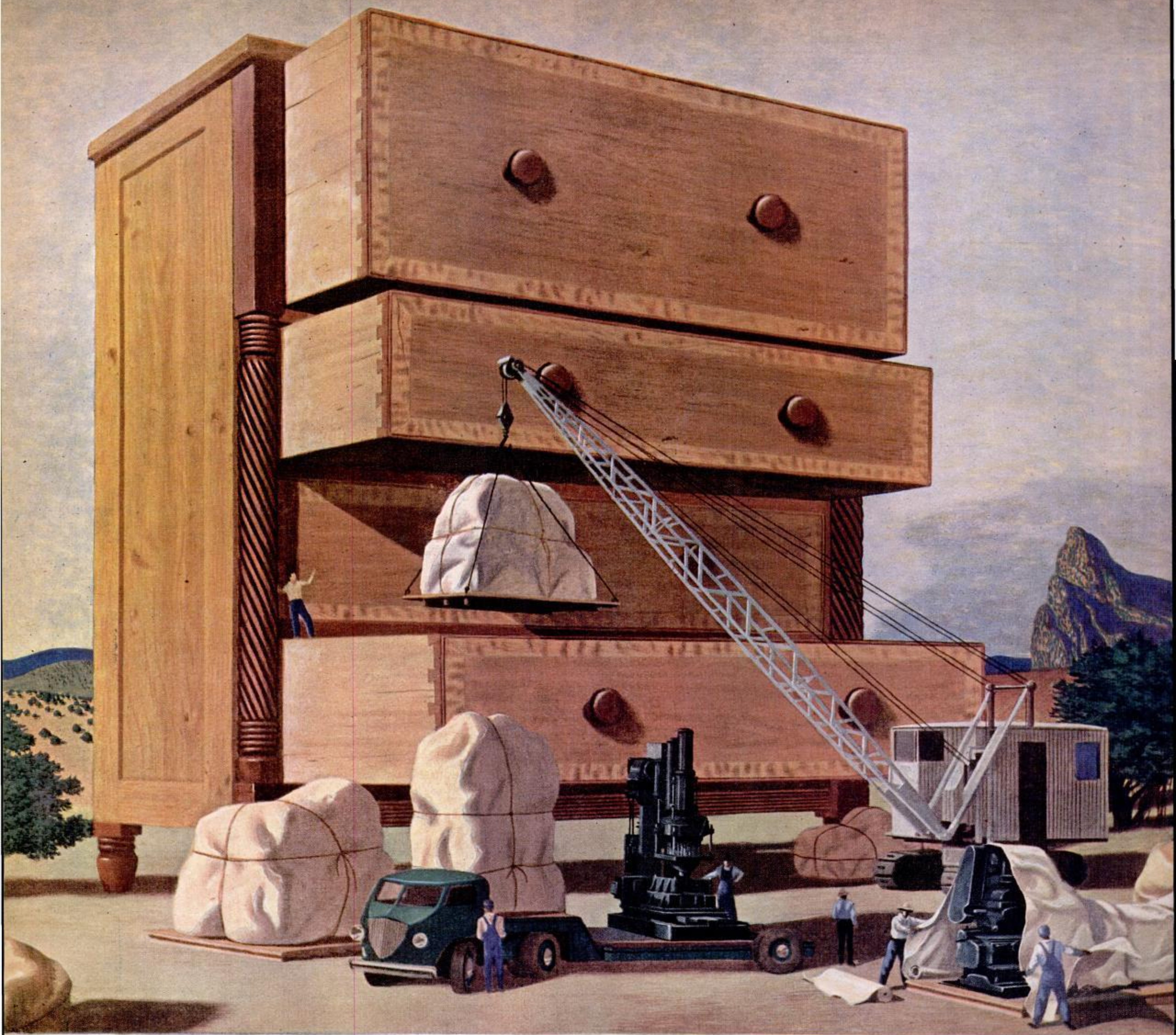
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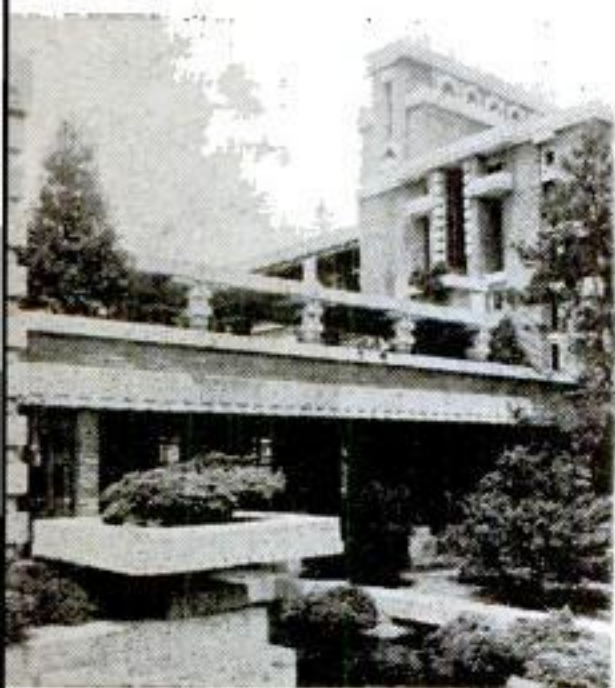
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But Frank Lloyd Wright's fame was beginning to spread internationally. A German publishing firm had issued a book on his work. European architects were beginning to find, in the tempestuous Midwesterner, a sensational new leader whose ideas were to help create a revolution in the world's architectural style. A delegation from Japan arrived with a commission for a new hotel in Tokyo. Among other pilgrims, a woman arrived. Her name was Miriam Noel, and she had lived for many years in Paris. She was a sculptress. She wore a monocle and pronounced his name "Frahnk." She, like him, had survived a tragic love affair. Wright accepted the commission for the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo and took Miriam Noel with him to Japan.

About Frank Lloyd Wright's numerous dealings with women there hangs the distinct aura of a period—the period of Isadora Duncan, Havelock Ellis and Bertrand Russell, when conventional people discussed "free love" in coarse whispers and unconventional ones regarded infidelity and illegitimate children almost in the light of a sociological crusade. Wright eventually married Miriam Noel, monocle and all. But scarcely had he finished the Imperial Hotel when his life became a cyclone of domestic fury. Miriam Noel complained that Wright starved her and reduced her to wearing nothing but beautiful antique velvets and brocades which he collected. She took a six months' "vacation" in Mexico City and returned to find that he had installed what the newspapers described as a "Montenegrin dancer" in his place. She sued for divorce, and financial strain forced Wright into insolvency. She found that the "Montenegrin dancer" had an ex-husband and child and connived to prosecute Wright on kidnaping and Mann Act charges. She pursued Wright and his new mistress (by whom he now had a child) to California, where she invaded his home in his absence, tearing pictures off the walls and destroying priceless hangings and embroideries with scissors. Miriam, Frank and the "Montenegrin dancer" spent various nights and days in jail. Headlines from coast to coast screamed about Wright's "love hegira," described the now rebuilt Taliesin as a "love nest."

The "dancer," whom Wright married as soon as he could get free of the law, was actually an extremely intelligent, patrician Montenegrin named Olgivanna Lazovich, whose tact and devotion have since held Frank Lloyd Wright in a state of reasonably quiet domestic happiness. A handsome, slim, dark-eyed woman with slightly graying hair and a pronounced accent, Olgivanna Wright manages her impetuous husband with delicate but firm diplomacy. Their immediate family circle includes her dark, Slavic-looking daughter (by her former husband) Svetlana; Svetlana's husband, "Wes" Peters, and Wright's and Olgivanna's own curly-haired, 18-year-old daughter, who looks quietly decorative and plays the harp.

After the completion of the Imperial Hotel, Wright did a great deal of building in the Southwest, developing the "unit block" system of construction, a method by which walls, floors and ceilings are built as hollow concrete shells inlaid with steel. Later, after working on an elaborate plan for a millionaire's hotel (never completed) near Phoenix, Ariz., Wright bought himself a strip of desert and constructed the curiously charming, shiplike winter home he calls Taliesin West and lives in five months of the year. Most famous of the buildings he subsequently designed are probably the Johnson Wax Company's administration building in Racine, the Edgar J. Kaufmann house which seems on the point of spreading its wings and taking off over a waterfall near Bear Run, Pa., and the elaborate, swastika-shaped home he built for Herbert Johnson north of Racine—a home with ingeniously planned wings separating children's, servants', and guests' quarters from those of the owner. But during the early 1930s Wright became increasingly obsessed with a new idea, that of designing not only people's houses but their neighborhoods, their cities and farms and even their political and economic lives. Always a hater of modern cities, he began to make a point of insulting U.S. civic pride wherever he went. His opinions were lofty and definite. On the reconstructed colonial shrine at Williamsburg, Va.: "It all shows how little we need this type of architecture now"; on Los Angeles: "The great American commonplace. It is as if you tipped



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the U.S. up so that all the commonplace people slid down here into Southern California"; on New York: "The most provincial of all provinces"; on Pittsburgh: "It would be cheaper to abandon it."

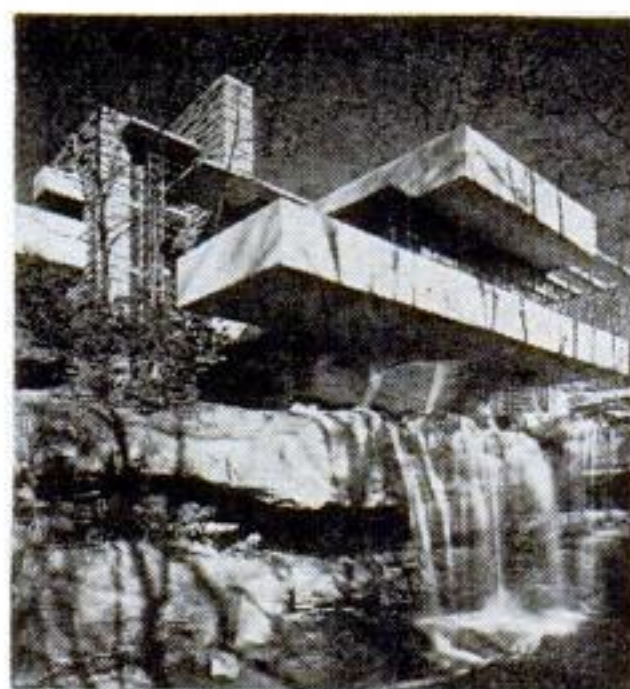
In 1935 Wright presented his answer to what he thought ailed the U.S. He called it "Broadacres." Physically it consisted of a large relief map on which models of farms, factories and railroads sprawled in a rather attractive mixture of urban and rural scenery. But this intricate model was only a jumping-off place for an elaborate structure of social, economic and moral ideas that has kept Wright smoldering like an Old Testament prophet ever since. Broadacres was the ideal decentralized community. Its inhabitants, living in Wright-designed homes on neatly scattered plots in a park-like landscape, knew neither congestion nor the smoke and dirt of present-day industrial cities. They had every convenience of the machine age and some additional ones invented by Wright himself. Their factories were provided with power from coal burned at far away mines. Their land was distributed according to the size of their families. Their political system was reduced to "one minor government to each county." "To build Broadacres as conceived," believed Wright, "would automatically end unemployment and all its evils forever." When the first atomic bomb fell on Hiroshima, Wright gleefully accepted it as the final clinching boost for Broadacres. Its decentralized life offered one of the worst atomic-bombing targets anybody had yet conceived.

Frank Lloyd Wright lives today surrounded by a group of starry-eyed disciples which he calls the Taliesin Fellowship. There are 55 of them. They include architects, engineers and architectural students. Most of them are in their 20s. ("I am fond of the flattery of young people," Wright cheerily admits.) They do their own communal cooking, wash and iron their own clothes, sleep in simple, cell-like quarters. They eat simple food and strictly observe a prohibition against pepper which is one of Wright's most cherished dietary rules. They pursue architecture like a religion, continuously building and repairing the homes they and Wright live in. They do virtually all of Wright's architectural drafting for him, working hours every day over plans and designs for his current building projects. For the privilege of membership in the fellowship they pay \$1,100 annually and consider that privilege one of the greatest honors in the architectural world. The Taliesin Fellowship has a long waiting list of would-be disciples. Not all are chosen. A few have left it to become architects of note.

Wright and his family and following spend their summers in Taliesin, near Spring Green, Wis. Their surroundings, though somewhat elementary from the point of view of physical comfort, are like a charming stage set full of Wright's architectural poetry. Outside its garage lie the discarded hulks of several elegant, expensive cars that Wright has bought, exuberantly driven to death and then thrown away because of annoying minor mechanical disorders. But Taliesin contains six grand pianos, a magnificent collection of Japanese prints and priceless examples of ancient oriental pottery. It has a movie theater arranged with tables where the latest films may be seen over a comfortable supper. Its spacious, low-ceilinged, luminously lit rooms are masterpieces of subdued architectural drama.

In December the whole Taliesin Fellowship piles itself into cars and makes its way to Taliesin West, near Phoenix, Ariz., where it sets up its winter quarters. Taliesin West is as beautifully wedded to the southwestern desert as Taliesin is to the rolling Wisconsin countryside. From the outside, it is a queer, rambling structure of stone walls and angular, jutting beams, suggesting to unsympathetic neighbors a catastrophe in a lumberyard. On the inside, however, its ingenious arrangement of decks and canvas ceilings suggests a luxurious ship under full sail, scudding across the peculiar sealike desert scenery. Taliesin West, provided with shady walks, gardens and a clear, triangular pool, is an amazingly comfortable place on sunny Arizona days. It has no telephone and very poor mail service. But Wright's clients think nothing of hitchhiking the 20 miles of stony desert from Phoenix, to beg him for designs for everything from homes to factories.

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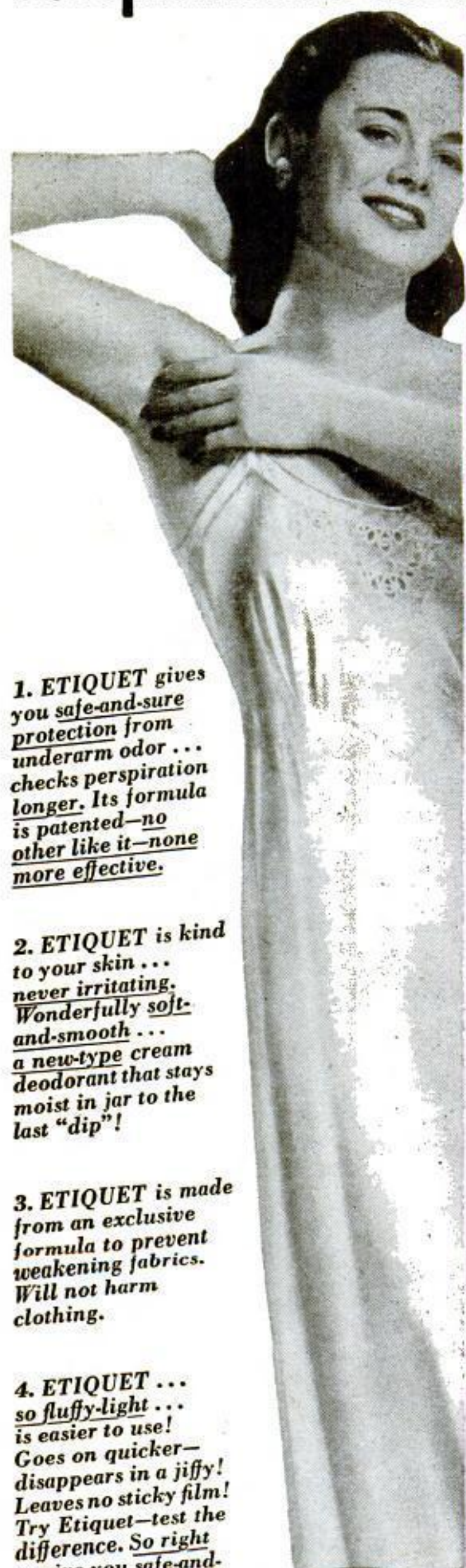
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sonality of the great man himself. Gala evenings at Taliesin (which usually take place on Sunday night) are affairs of somewhat overpowering state. Distinguished visitors are entertained with music and lofty conversation while the fellowship, dressed in its best bibs and tuckers, sings Palestrina or sits admiringly in the shadows around the big, lavishly carpeted living room. As each musical number concludes, a hushed silence is broken by Wright himself, who sits regally, flanked by his attentive wife and family, amid a luxurious clutter of fur rugs, cushions and wicker furniture. His pronouncements, delivered in quiet, thoughtful accents, begin with approving comments on the music and then branch out into his favorite ideas on philosophy, religion, economics and building. He talks with inexhaustible eloquence and nearly always with humor. His monologues are apt to revolve around certain basic concepts: the evils of capitalism and the profit motive; the villainy of bankers (whom he calls "moneyana men" because of their interest in credit to be paid up tomorrow); "Usonia," his favorite name (borrowed from the English writer Samuel Butler) for a future utopian America; "organicness" (a term he applies to architecture or to human institutions that perfectly serve the purpose for which they are conceived); "the cultural lag" (the great distance at which a poky civilization persists in dragging behind the enlightened ideas of Frank Lloyd Wright). He will pontificate broadly on the greatness of Japanese art and German philosophy and music (which he admires tremendously), on what he considers the incredible folly of World War II, on the boxy, clinical ideas of other modern architects, on Michelangelo, "merely a sculptor," "a man who hurled the Pantheon on top of the Parthenon."

Not long ago Wright was waiting in a railroad-station restaurant when Eliel Saarinen, one of the few other architects whose existence he recognizes, walked in and sat down at an adjoining table. Soon Saarinen noticed Wright and courteously bowed. With a princely show of cordiality, Wright said he had recently seen Saarinen's design of a new church. Saarinen grunted appreciatively. "Well, Eliel, when I saw it, I thought what a great architect—I am."

Modern architects, stinging under Wright's imperious pose of the *grand seigneur*, have often hotly pointed out that he has ignored the work of his important contemporaries, that modern architecture would probably have come into existence even without his lordly help. Others have attacked his grandiose utopian conceptions as facile and half-baked. There is a strain of romantic philosophy in Wright's nature; he lacks the practical pessimism of a great political thinker. To him, the essential goodness of man awaits only the destruction of villainous politicians and corrupt institutions, to flower ever after in a perfectly designed usonia. Frank Lloyd Wright is a reformer rather than a sage.

But, at 77, his enormous creative power and restless architectural imagination shows no signs of a letdown. His astonishing, spiral Guggenheim Art Museum is about to go up on New York's Fifth Avenue. He has just designed a new Unitarian church for Madison, Wis., that has the airy grace of a country club. He is also working on a revolutionary laundry plant to be built in Milwaukee and a magnificent funeral parlor for a forward-looking San Francisco mortician named Nicholas Daphne. Conservatives may scoff as they have scoffed for a generation. Wright approaches each of these jobs with the patriarchal assurance of a Noah building a new ark. So far, his arks have proved remarkably seaworthy.



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This year St. Louis is following the example of London and Long Island in having its deb season in summer. Actually St. Louis will have two seasons, the "Little Season" this summer, followed by another at Christmas. On this and the following pages LIFE examines the blithe activities of Little Season debs, particularly those of Mary and Deborah Love, two sisters who came out together at a lawn party at their home, Whitestone, on the afternoon of July 4.

In the weeks before their party the lives of Mary and "Debbie" were filled with excited phone calls, shopping tours, the addressing of invitations and the ceaseless annotation of long, typewritten lists of eligible stags. Never getting up before 11, they averaged three parties every 24 hours. Finally on the big day itself the weather was bountifully clear and 500 members of St. Louis society came to dabble in the swimming pool, dance on a platform on the lawn, eat and be merry in a miniature beer garden and pronounce the two girls wonderfully pretty and popular.

On the morning of her debut Deborah Love, who is 19, feigns nonchalance in a pair of shorts, an old shirt and yachting cap given her by a friend.

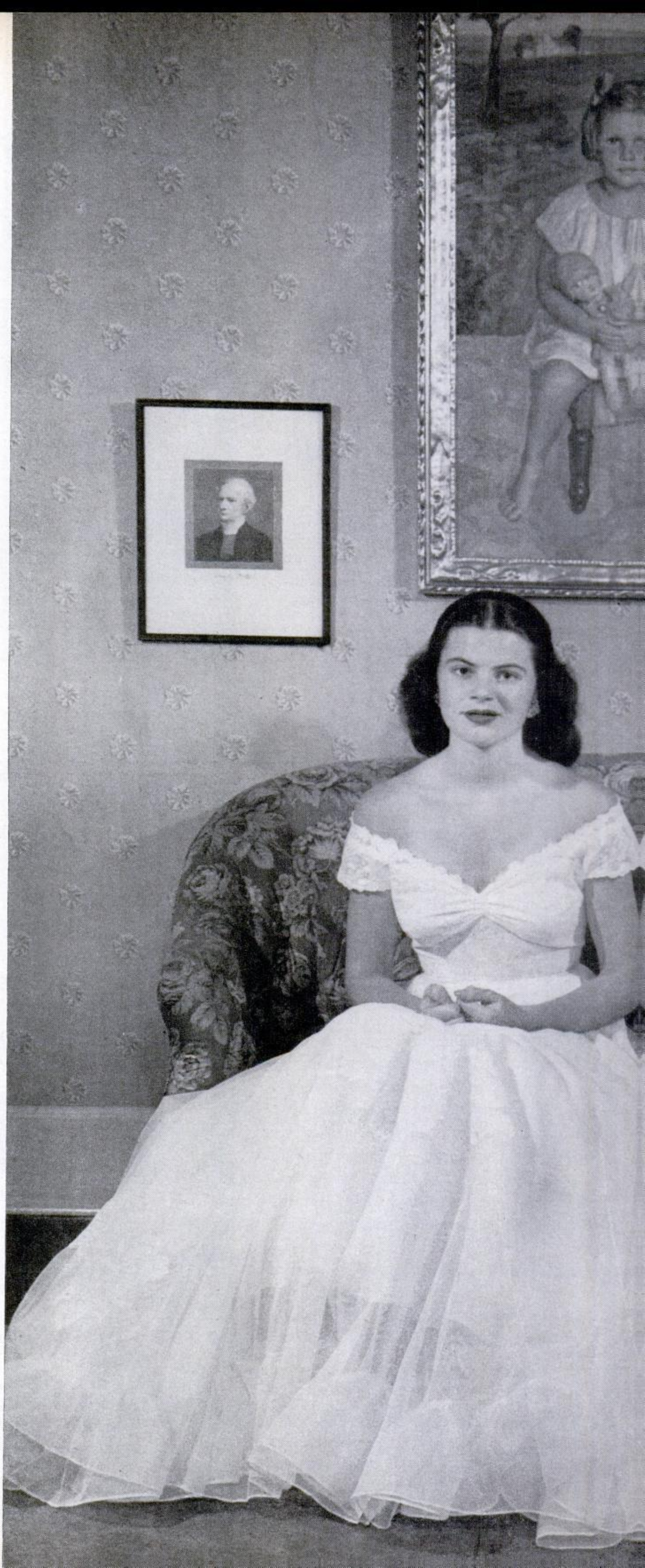




Jane Lammert made debut 10 days before Mary and Debbie. Girls think Little Season is wonderful idea because more boys are home during summer.



Harriet Peters came out at lively Bellerive Country Club. Hawaiian leis were tossed to debs from a boat in swimming pool. Party lasted all night.



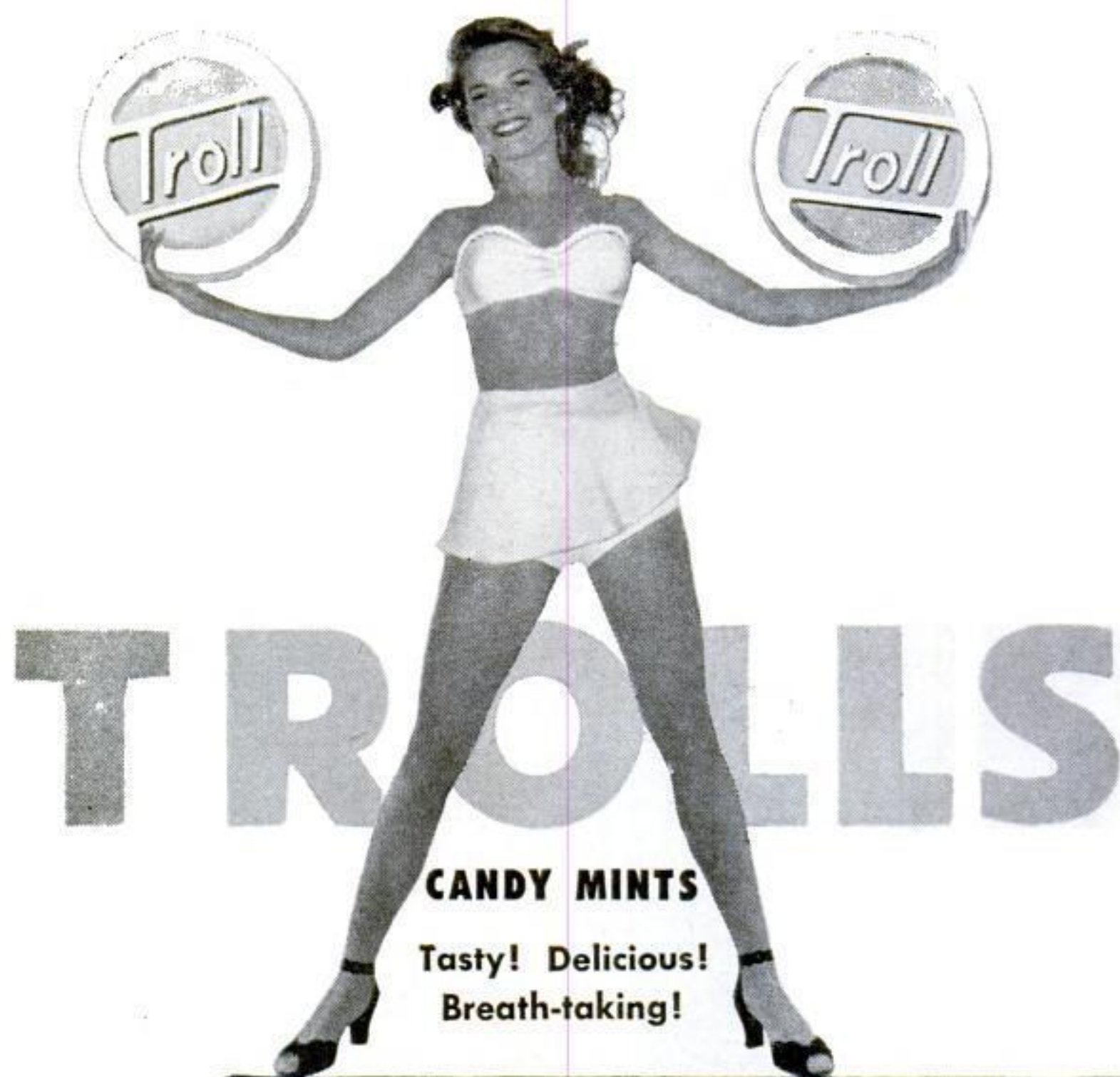


Mary Prince Goodbar made debut at party at the home of her grandmother. St. Louis has had no debuts for five years, expects about 100 this year.



Betty Scudder designed own debut dress. It follows traditional off-the-shoulder style and is all white. Almost all debbs had made-to-order dresses.

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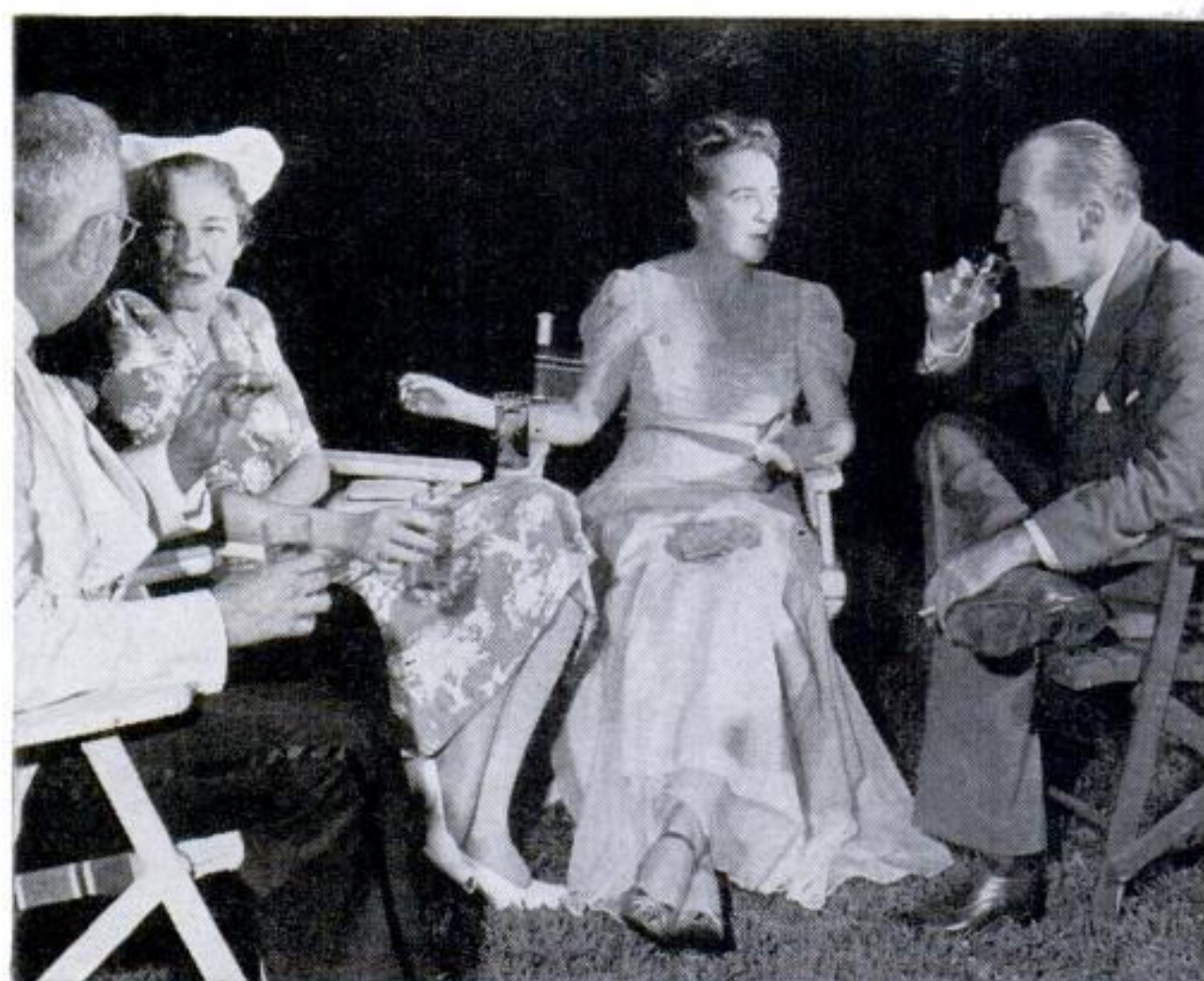
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Breakfast lawn party served as debut for Sally Wyman. This was the morning after Busch party (above). That afternoon everyone went to lawn-party debut of Mary and Debbie Love.



Debs' parents usually sit out more active phases of debuts, but enjoy the parties every bit as much as their daughters. At right is Marion L. J. Lambert, grandson of the Listerine king.

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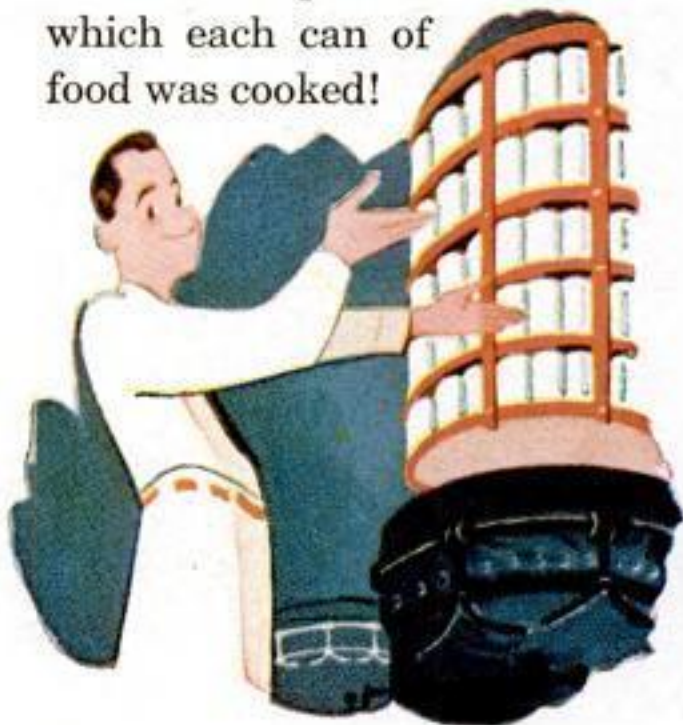

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After debut Debbie and Mary dangle their feet from the diving board of their pool. Mary just graduated from Vassar, is now delegate to International Conference of Christians and Jews.



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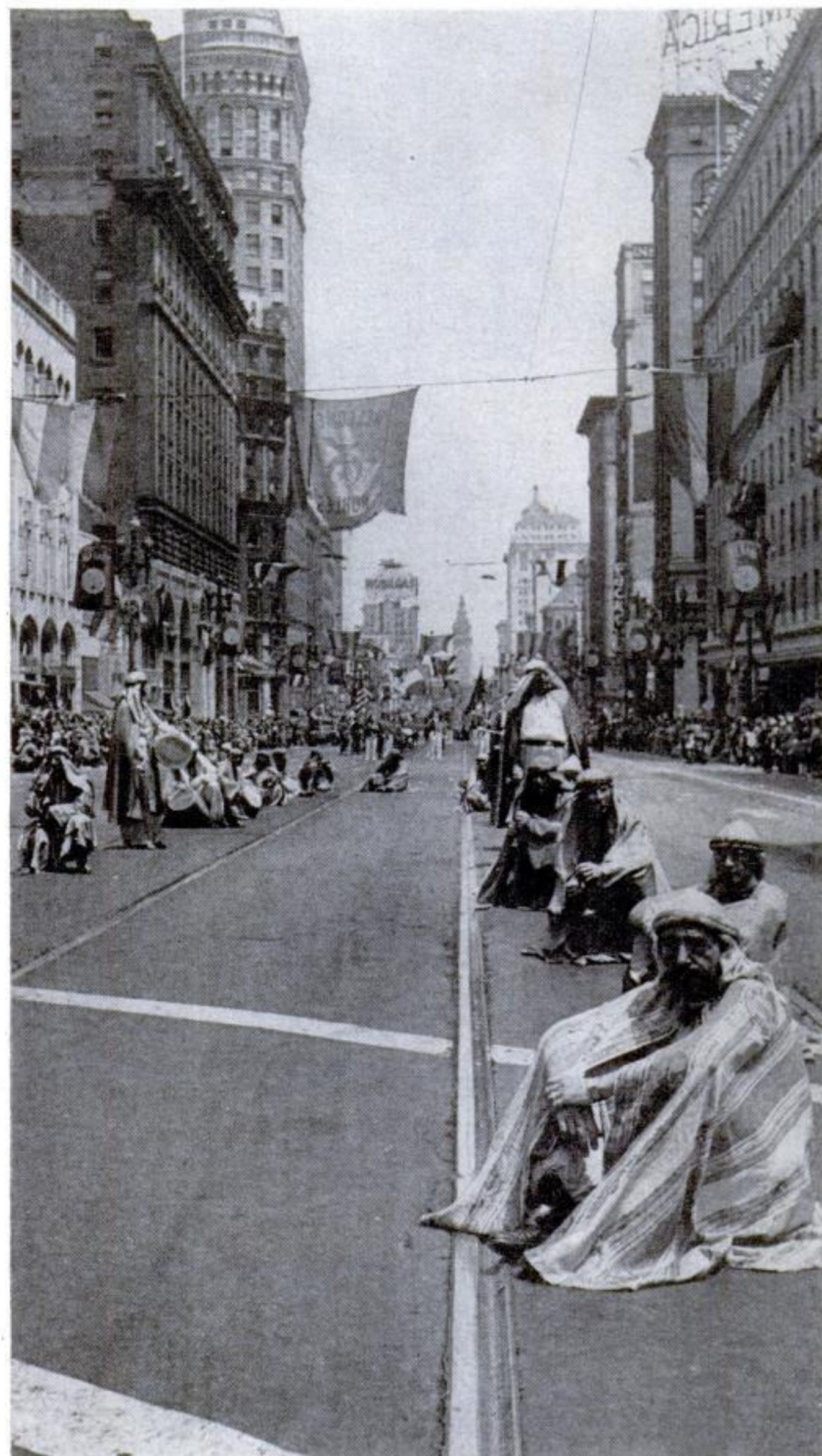


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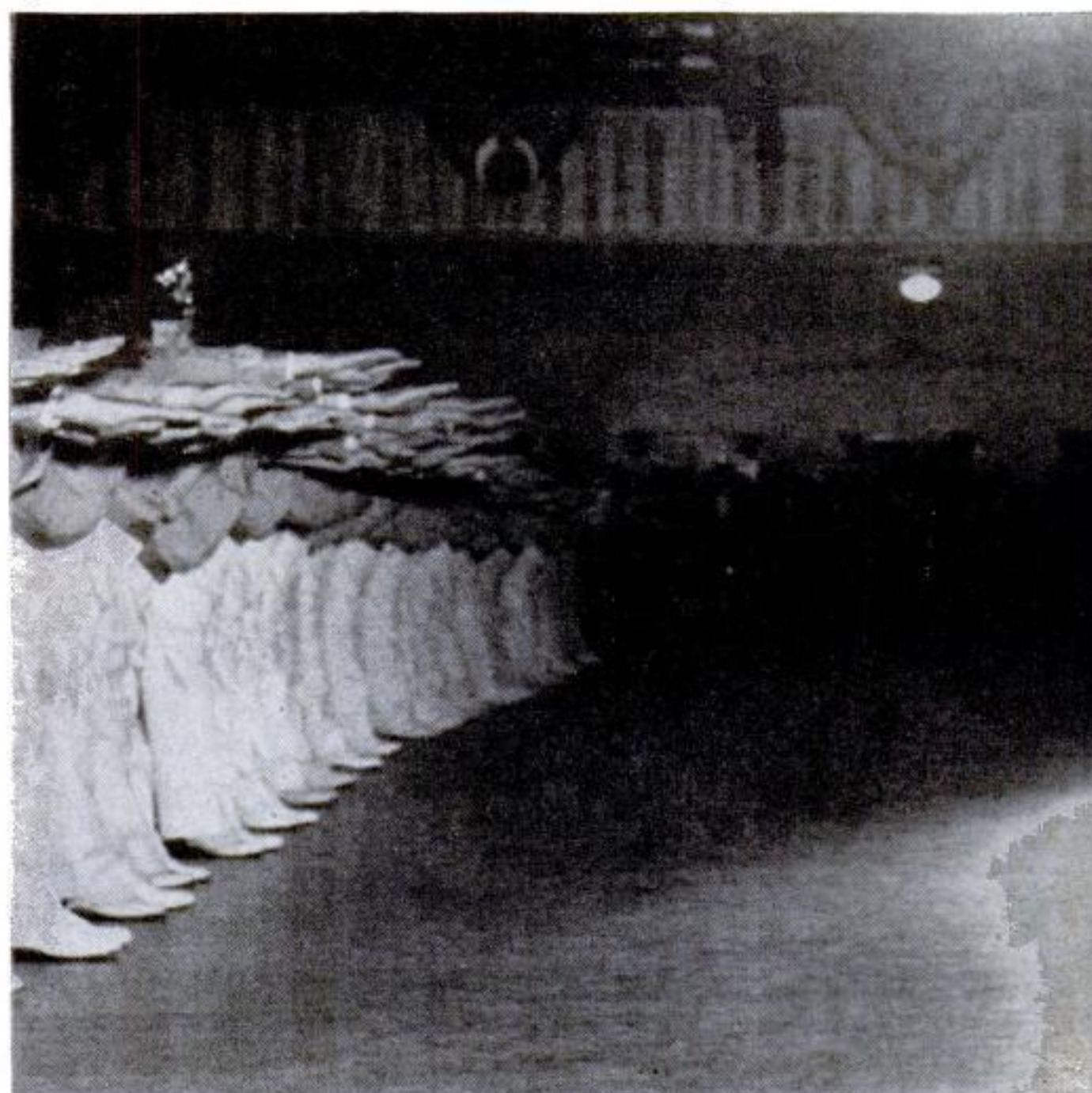
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THE SHRINE PARADE featured occasional rest periods (above), but in the opinion of a cop 12 years on the force it was "the best parade I've seen in years."



NEW IMPERIAL POTENTATE George H. Rowe, of Buffalo, N.Y., is saluted after election to replace Potentate William H. Woodfield Jr., of San Francisco.



BIGGEST SHRINER was Al Opperman of Tacoma's Afifi Temple, who rode in parade in a special warehouse loading machine, escorted by a midget Shriner.

SHRINERS' CONVENTION

Postwar meeting runs riot through San Francisco

The Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine had not had a real smash-bang whoop-te-do since they were almost rained out in Indianapolis in 1941. This time 25,000 of them, loaded with firecrackers, buzzers, ticklers, baby alligators, descended on San Francisco, breakfasted on trolley-car tracks, hung panties from hotel windows, rode horses into bars and made things look like the old times again. Amid such nonsense they found time to carry on the business of the Shrine, a select Masonic inner circle made up of 32nd Degree Masons. In 1941 Shriner Frank Land (see next page), backed by Senator Harry Truman, lost a bid for a position on the Imperial Divan. This time, backed by the nation's first Shriner again, Land won. His job: Imperial Captain of the Guard.



cisco. Rowe said he would ask for a leave of absence from his duties as a judge of the New York Supreme Court so he could visit every temple in America.

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LI'L ABNER

by AL CAPP

Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

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Shriners' Convention CONTINUED



INDIANAPOLIS SHRINER, with robes and aviator's sunglasses, represented his city's Murat Temple. False beards kept blowing in Shriners' noses.



TRUMAN'S MAN, Frank S. Land (right), easily won second-from-bottom rung in Shrine hierarchy even though his backer did not attend convention.



SHRINER HAROLD LLOYD holds Canadian flag while Canada is extolled in opening session. Shrine has 159 temples in Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, U.S.

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